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Japan Answers G-7 With Vague Pledges

Tokyo Declines to Detail Measures To Rescue Its Faltering Economy

Consider On Staff From Paper to-

TOKYO -- Japanese leaders vowed Sunday to push abead with economic reforms but offered no detailed policies even though the world's senior finance officials warned Tokyo over the weekend to act swiftly.

Officials from the Group of Seven

leading industrial nations and Asia warned Japan on Saturday that fi-nancial restructuring was "urgently needed" to restore its debt-ridden banking system to health and pull the economy out of recession,

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"International communities will be willing to see bow Japan takes advantage of this window of opportunity." the U.S. deputy Treasury secretary, Lawrence Summers, said after more than four bours of talks.

The window is here now and will not always be here," he warned. Markets will be watching developments closely.

In a television interview that was broadcast Sunday, Finance Minister Hikaru Matsunaga said that Japan oeeded to "revive the financial system" and to "speed up struc-

tural reforms, including tax reform." Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimotn pledged Sunday tn give prinrity to the resolution of Japan's bad-loan problem.

"What we really have to do now is to tackle the bad-loan problem of fi-nancial iostitutions," Mr. Hashimoto was quoted by Jiji Press as saying. But both Mr. Hashimoto and Mr.

Matsunaga shied away from specific policy announcements and fell short of a clear commitment to permanent tax cuts, which have been requested by other G-7 nations.

In fact, Mr. Matsunaga suggested little would be done before elections for Japan's upper house of Parliament

"We are saying tax reform, not tax cuts," Mr. Matsunaga said when asked whether the government was considering permanent tax cuts. He said Japan would lower corporate tax rates to levels prevailing in the West.

Japan's mountain of bad bank loans lies at the heart of the economic troubles in the world's second-largest economy, stifling new loans and threatening the collapse of top banks. Japan's 18 leading banks have ad-mitted they are still struggling with

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Friend or Foe in Asia? Economics Sways U.S.

By David E. Sanger

Bill Clinton crams for his trip to China this week, he must be yearning for those simpler days, not so long ago, when it was much easier to ex-plain to Americans the distinction between friends and foes in Asia.

During the first Clinton presidetttial campaign, the Chinese government NEWS

was the menace, run by dictators "coddled" by President George Bush as they oppressed Tibet, threatened Taiwan, forced abortioos and swiped U.S. technology. Then there was Japan, America's biggest military ally and partner in Asia. Sure, the Japanese kept out U.S. car parts and computer chips, barriers that Mr. Clinton vowed to smash. But whenever trade quarrels got really

nasty, cooler heads in Washington would remind people that it was Japan

market-oriented and host to U.S. WASHINGTON — As President troops — that Washington could count on in times of crisis.

But no one then could imagine the kind of crisis Asia faces today: ecoclosely to the oratory of Washington before the most important foreign trip of Bill Clinton's presidency, things sound very different. Last Tuesday, Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin took to the podium of the White House to declare that "China has been an island of stability in Asia" a savvy, responsible player in the global effort to tamp down the economic firestorm that started in Asia a

And Japan? The view from Washington these days is that it is spreading the bubonic plague of the markets -

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Speak Slowly, a Computer Will Accept Your Order

By John Markoff
New York Times Service

Later this year, many callers wanting flight information from United Airlines will speak not to a person but to a computer that acts like a person. It will ask when and where the caller wants to travel, look up flight schedules and converse using synthesized speecb.

A caller can say, "I want to fly from New York to San Jose next Wednesday morning." The system recognizes the names of 1,200 airports around the world and understands concepts like next Wednesday."

Employing advanced forms of artificial intelligence, it interacts with a caller just as an ageot might, even cbecking to confirm that it bas beard correctly

- "Did yoo say Austin or Boston?"
United's system is only one example of a wave of new computer technologies that understand spoken language and are poised to sweep through the American economy. In areas as diverse as airline reservations, retailing, directory assistance, banking, medical transcrip-tion, computer help desks and secre-

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tarial services, machines that can recogoize thousands of words and phrases and in accents as diverse as Brooklyn and Pakistani - are rapidly becoming commooplace.

Speech recognition has passed a threshold," said Raymond Kurtzweil, a leading researcher in the field of artificial intelligence. In the next few years, he predicted, "The bulk of business transactions will take place between a person and an antomated personality."

There could be technical problems at

first. Some people will have to speak more slowly or clearly than they normally do. The computers still get tripped up by jargon, accents and questions they are not programmed to answer. For example, an airline-reservations system might find itself stumped by a question about ground transportation.

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FRANTIC FINISH - American and Iranian players shaking hands before the start of their World Cup match Sunday night in Lyon. The struggling U.S. team managed only one late goal in reply to Iran's two.

Germans Rally to Tie Yugoslavia

Policeman in Coma After German Fans Get Into Street Melee

By Christopher Clarey International Herald Tribune

LENS, France - At times, it was difficult to believe that more was oot at stake. From the way the Germans and Yugoslavs rushed at each other in the opening minutes to the way Jens Jeremies and Sinisa Mihaljovic bumped chests in the closing minutes, their close and emotional game Sunday ofteo had the whiff of a World Cup semifinal rather than a group match between teams who already had three points to

Wheo it ended, with Jurgen Klinsmann on a stretcher and surrounded by officials and Lothar Matthaus alone in officials and Lothar Matthaus alone in the record books, the Germans were the happier team, but it was oot because they fans. The policeman was in a coma

had won. It was because they had done what German teams have been doing long before East and West were reunited: They had shaken themselves out of a funk and rallied, scoring two goals in the final 16 minutes to force a 2-2 draw.

"If you would bave told me before the game that we would tie Germany, I

would have been happy, but that doesn't mean I'm happy oow," said the Yugoslav striker Predrag Mijatovic.

It was a gripping match, full of odd bounces and odd plot twists, but once again in this World Cup, violence outside the stadium shifted some of the focus off the specer being played inside focus off the soccer being played inside it. A French policeman and a Brazilian

Suoday night, according to local police officials, after reportedly being hit in the back of the head with an iroo bar when be was attacked. The Brazilian was injured filming a melee in central Lens. More than 80 Germans were arrested.

On June 14 and 15 in Marseille, riots involving English and Tunisian fans and French youths caused significant property damage, scores of minor injuries and led to more than 100 arrests and multiple convictions. Two German fans also were seotenced to short prison sentences after clashing with police in Paris on June 15 before Germany played its opening match there against the United States.

Germany woo that game, 2-0. One day earlier, the Yugoslavs had been

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AGENDA

Tension on Cyprus Draws Holbrooke

ATHENS (Reuters) - Richard Holbrooke, the newly appointed U.S. ambassador to the United Nations and special envoy for Cyprus, will visit Greece oo Monday for talks with senior officials over rising tensions with neighboring Turkey.
"Mr. Holbrooke is the guest of an

American college in Athens and will also hold talks with top foreign ministry officials on issues including Cyprus and Greek-Turkish rela-tions," a Greek government official said Sunday. Greek and Turkish warplanes visited Cyprus last week.

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RETURN TO STONEHENGE - Druids performing sacred rituals to mark the summer solstice at Stonehenge on Sunday for the first time in a decade. The Druids were banned from holding ceremonies at the ancient stone circle in western England following clashes with police in 1988.

Israel Moves Defiantly To Expand Jerusalem

Cabinet Approves Plan Over Protests by U.S., Residents and Arabs

> By Serge Schmemann New York Tones Service

JERUSALEM - The Israeli cabinet approved a plan Sunday to expand areas noder the city of Jerusalem's control far beyond its current borders, despite angry protests from Palestinians and Washingtoo's admonioon that the plan was 'provocative.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu insisted at a press conference after the unanimous decision by his ministers that the plan had no political ramifications and was not a violation of the Oslo accords, according to which the final status of Jerusalem is to be ne-gotiated with the Palestinians.

But there was a geoeral presumption among Israelis, and Palestinians, that the real goals were to strengthen Israel's hold on what it has proclaimed as its "united and eternal capital," to bolster its links to eastero settlements and to expand its Jewisb population and tax base by annexing wealthier and more

secular towns in Israel to the west.

The Palestinians, who have pro claimed their goal to be a Palestinian state with Jerusalem as its capital, issued a chorus of deounciations. "This is a declaration of war oo the Palestinian presence in Jerusalem," declared Saeb Erekat, a senior Palestinian oegotiator.

The plan adopted by the cabinet, re-ferred to as "the plan for streogthening of Jerusalem's status," set ont guidelines under which Jerusalem would expand the area under its cootrol by roughly a half, in part by annexing several Israeli towns in the "Jerusalem corridor" to the west, and in part by bringing several Jewish communities and settlements on lands conquered in 1967 to the east and north under an "umbrella municipality," with Jerusalem responsible for planning, construction, budgetary matters and services.

All this, Mr. Netanyahu insisted, was within Israel's right, and "an internal Israeli matter, not a matter requiring a diplomatic report."

He said initial reaction to the plan when it was unveiled last Thursday was "distorted and misinterpreted, in a teodentious way, in my opinion.' Washington's angry initial reaction last week, be said, was evidently based on a misunderstanding, adding: "I think their whole response in this matter was

surprising and superfluous. The criticism that there was some violation of agreements that Israel has signed is ridiculous," be told the army radio earlier in the day. "Israel's activities in Jerusalem are in accordance with agreements and with the historic decree of the Jewisb people."
The loudest initial protest Sunday

came not from the Palestinians or the

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Intern Ready to Admit Sex With Clinton, Lawyers Say

By Peter Baker

and Susan Schmidt Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - Monica Lewinsky's oew lawyers, seeking an agree-ment to protect ber from prosecution, have offered to have ber testify that she had a sexual relationship with President Bill Clintoo. But Kenneth Starr, the independent

counsel investigating the issue, wants her also to plead guilty to some offense as part of any agreement, according to lawyers close to the oegotiations. Ms. Lewinsky's lawyers have told Mr. Starr that she would oot restify that she had been encouraged by Mr. Clinton

or Vernon Jordan Jr., his friend, to lie

under oath in the Paula Jones lawsuit, a key focus of Mr. Starr's investigation,

the legal sources said.

But the sources added that while contradictory statements by ber former lawyer, William Ginsburg, may bave damaged the value of Ms. Lewinsky's testimony, her new attorneys have argued that Mr. Starr should take what he can get because she is still the most important witness

Mr. Starr, too, is said to be taking a hard line during this new round of dis-cussions, offering, as before, only to consider a plea agreement and not complete immunity from perjury or obstruction of justice charges.

The positions staked out by both sides

may be simply opening bids, but they

have defined the parameters of talks whose outcome is crucial to Mr. Starr's investigatioo.

Despite the seeming gulf in their bar-gaining positions, both camps have signaled they are optimistic they can strike a bargain soon. "Each side is working hard to reach

some conclusion," said an attoroey familiar with the talks. It is unclear whether Mr. Starr would be satisfied with an admission of a sexu-

al relationship but no testimony about obstruction of justice. He rejected such a proposal offered by Ms. Lewinsky's former attorney, Mr. Ginsburg, who, according to defense lawyers, submitted five separate - and in some ways inconsisteot - proffers detailing how she

would testify if assured of immunity. But the new lawyers hired by Ms. Lewinsky's family oo June 2, Jacob Stein and Plato Cacheris, hope to use their credibility as respected Washington attorneys to persuade Mr. Starr.

If Lewinsky does testify that she had sex with Mr. Clintoo, that statement alone could be a problem for the president — politically if not legally because it would cootradict both his swom testimooy in the Jones lawsuit and his nationally televised statement, "I did not have sexual relations with that woman, Miss Lewinsky. Facing the prospect of a deal, Mr.

Clinton's defenders are bracing to

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William at 16: Prince of Hearts and New Windsor Icon

By Suzy Menkes nternational Herald Tribuna

WINDSOR, England - Like any other teenage boy, he likes techno music, action movies, fast food and sports. But not every 16-year-old could spend his birthday clicking on to one of 50 fanzine Web sites to read: "Move over Leo, Wills is Here!" Or, "Prince William is a cutie."

Or, "I will marry you, Prince Wil-

The eldest soo of England's Prince Charles and the late Diana, Princess of Wales, turned 16 on Sunday. To celebrate the event, or rather to damp down the media fire, the young Prince Wil-liam of Wales revealed some of his likes (including his tail-coated school uniform) and dislikes — the adulation of his teeny-bopper fans.

The first "interview" (in fact a writ-

ten questioo-and-answer format distributed by Press Association) with England's fresh-faced future king was a poignant reminder of bow desperately he longs to be seen as an ordinary youngster in an extraordinary situation. and of how eager the public is to view him as the reincarnation of his char-

ismatic mother. As his blond hair, quick-to-blush cheeks and lowered eyes stared out from

every British tabloid over the weekend, he has become, in spite of himself, an instant Prince of Hearts. In the 10 mooths since his mother'a death, the luck - or the curse - of bis genes has made him blossom from a sby and awkward teenager into the very image of Diana. The Sun newspaper has inevitably dubbed him: "The People's

Since the essence of mooarcby is regeneration, it is natural that William should receive the attention and adulation that both his grandmother, Queen Elizabeth II, and Prince Charles had in their formative years. With Diana memorials now reduced

to tubs of autographed margarine and Spencers and Windsors warring like Montagues and Capulets over anniversary tribotes, William is the only bright gilding left on the tarnisbed family crest.
"He is the John Kennedy Jr. figure—

a heritage, good looks and a tragic past that gives him an extra magic from a dead icon," said Robert Lacey, author of the definitive "Majesty," a biography of Queen Elizabeth II. More ominously, Ingrid Seward, editor-in-chief of the royalist Majesty

magazine, admits that Prince William See WILLIAM, Page 10



Prince William confronts the media.







Face-Off Over Taiwan Led to a U.S.-China Strategic Partnership two missiles a day for three days into

By Barton Gellman Washington Post Service

ASHINGTON - On Thursday, March 7, 1996, in an elegant dining room overlooking the Potomac River, Defense Secretary William Perry delivered a threat - about as blunt as they come in contemporary diplomacy — to go to war. Hours before, U.S. Air Force RC-

135 reconnaissance craft and the U.S. cruiser Bunker Hill had monitored three Chinese M-9 ballistic missiles as they were rapid-fired from China's Huanan mountains toward Taiwan. They splashed down in the shipping lanes adjacent to Taiwan's two principal scaports.

Liu Huaqiu, a senior Chinese national security official, found a grimfaced Mr. Perry waiting for him when he arrived at a scheduled dinner that

evening in the State Department's eighth-floor Madison Room.

In what a participant called "a well-rehearsed minnet," Mr. Perry notified Mr. Liu that there would be "grave consequences" should Chinese weapons strike Taiwan words not spoken to China since the countries established diplomatic ties, and universally understood as code for a military response. For emphasis, Secretary of State Warren Christopher and the National Security adviser, Anthony Lake, repeated the formula in turn.

Beijing and Washington had two weeks of extraordinary tension and uncertainty. Former officials now say they were far more worried than was known at the time.

But the crisis also marked a beginning. The morning after Mr. Perry threw down his gauntlet, Mr. Lake escorted Mr. Liu to a borrowed Virginia farm for an unusual day of talks. The two men, approximate counterparts, opened what would become a significant new channel of dialogue, supplanting the damaged relations between Mr. Christopher and his counterpart, Foreign Minister Qian Qichen.
As President Bill Clinton prepares to embark on the first

American state visit to China this decade, Asia specialists in and out of the administration point to the events of March 1996 as a turning point — from escalating conflict to the "strategic partnership" that both governments now say

they wish to construct.

That month marked the nadir of a relationship that had been poor even by the standards set since the 1989 bloodletting around Tiananmen Square. The lessons learned in the crisis resolved the president's amhivalence about the kind of ties he sought with China and set him firmly in pursuit of an 'engagement' that brings him this month to Beijing.

The same lessons rippled forward to shape the agenda, the decisions and the choice of decision-makers in the Clinton foreign policy team — producing last fall's Washington summit meeting with President Jiang Zemin and conditioning even the terms for satellite launches in China that currently roil the administration in partian dehate.

David Rothkopf, who feuded over China with Mr. Christopher and his sides as departs and experience.

topher and his aides as deputy undersecretary of commerce, said the Taiwan crisis grew out of "an erratic, ofteo frayed policy" marked by "a lot of confusion on China in the first term, particularly in the State Department.'

By arranging for Mr. Lake's new channel to Mr. Liu, he said, "the two sides sat down and said, 'Wait a minute. This



implicit and one more direct.

accounts called attention to that fact.

Taipei, before landing 19 miles off the coast.

is no way to run one of the pivotal relationships on the

crisis were two Chinese allusions to nuclear weapons, one

"Strait 961" was hy many measures the most provocative ever staged in the Taiwan Strait, but some U.S. analysts saw

special significance in China's use of the nuclear-capable M-9 missile. The M-9 batteries belonged to China's nuclear

rocket force - the Second Artillery - and Chinese press

missiles passed almost directly over Taiwan's capital,

Freeman Jr., was a China specialist who served as President

Richard Nixon's interpreter in Beijing in 1972 and most

recently as assistant secretary of defense. In arguments over

Taiwan with top Chinese military officials - he declined.

then and since, to name them - he said he had heard an

States" if China attacks Taiwan, Mr. Freeman recalled,

"and they said, 'No, you won't. We've watched you in

Somalia, Haiti and Bosnia, and you don't have the

"In the 1950s, you three times threatened nuclear strikes on

China, and you could do that because we couldn't hit back.

Now we can. So you are not going to threaten us again because, in the end, you care a lot more about Los Angeles

Government analysts soon concluded that Mr. Freeman's

interlocutor had been Lieutenant General Xiong Guangkai,

deputy chief of China's general staff, and classified cables

detailing his remarks received uneasy attention at the U.S.

Pacific Command, the Strategic Command, the Pentagon's

Joint Staff and across the government's China bureaucracy.

"If this was some sort of serious message, we had to

Then, according to Mr. Freeman, a senior officer added:

"I said you'll get a military reaction from the United

implied nuclear threat against the United States.

What no one disclosed at the time was that one of the

OT LONG before the missile firings, in January.

a former Clinton administration defense official

had reported to Mr. Lake on a disquieting set of conversations he had held in Beijing. Charles

Among the most disturbing elements of the Taiwan Strait

The exercise designated by the Chinese military as

Defense Secretary William Perry and his Chinese counterpart, Chi Haotian, left, meeting amid calmer days nine months after the incidents of March 1996. Anthony Lake, the national security adviser, backed Mr. Perry all the way in the confrontation with Beijing.



It was an occasion for clearing the air, but that meant

confronting differences directly. Mr. Lake, hy his own

account, made sure to find an occasion that day to raise the

subject of Mr. Freeman's report.
"I remember leaning forward and telling him that not

only were Americans insulted and the president insulted hut

I, at a personal level, had been insulted by threatening Los Angeles with nuclear weapons," Mr. Lake said. "He denied it. He said, 'It's not our policy.'" Since the 1972 Shanghai Communiqué, U.S. policy had

held that there is only one China and that Taiwan is part of

China. President Jimmy Carter, who established formal ties with Beijing in 1979, downgraded the ties with Taiwan to

The Taiwanese president at the time, Lee Teng-hui,

sought new diplomatic horizons by traveling abroad for

what were described as golfing vacations. In early 1995, he

asked to become the first Taiwanese head of government to

visit the United States by applying for a visa to attend a reunion at his alma mater, Cornell University.

capitals, was a sequence of diplomatic double-crosses.

What followed, from the points of view of the three

The Clintoo administration told Mr. Lee be could not

come, and Mr. Christopher assured Mr. Qian at a United

Nations meeting on April 17 that it was the administration's "fundamental policy" to refuse the visa. But he also told

Mr. Qian that the administration had been "unable to

On May 3, after a \$5 million lobbying campaign by

Taiwan, the House of Representatives voted 396 to 0 to demand a visa for Mr. Lee. Six days later, the Senate followed suit, 97 to 1. Mr. Lake and Mr. Christopher feared

that Coogress would amend the Taiwan Relations Act of 1979 to force the government's hand if it did oot comply.

The administration reversed itself on May 22.

"Christopher's credibility with the Chinese, at that mo-

China commenced its military reaction oo July 21, firing

ment, was over." Mr. Rothkopf said.

persuade Congress of the wisdom of our position."

'unofficial" relations.

election for president on March 23.

The Office of Naval Intelligence reported that China make it clear that we were returning it unopened," Mr. began shifting missiles, heavy equipment and several bigades—about 10,000 troops—to Fujian Province on the coast on Feh. 4. Alarmed this time, the government dis-Lake recalled in an interview.

Friday, March 8, was a bitterly cold day in Washington. with nearly four inches of fresh snow and a wind chill below patched Undersecretary of State Peter Taxnoff to warn his zero. That morning, Mr. Lake and Mr. Liu drove secretly to Middleburg, Virginia, and the country estate of Partiela Harriman, then ambassador to France.

counterpart, Li Zhaoxing, against aggression. Mr. Tamoff read aloud from the Taiwan Relations Act, which directs the White House to "maintain the capacity of the United States to resist any resort to force" against the island. R. LL who has since become ambassador to Washington, said China's reply was simple. Taiwan is part of China, and the Taiwan issue

is China's internal affair, and no foreign force and no foreign country should interfere."
When word came of the missile firings on March 7. U.S.

an impact zooe nearly 100 miles north

protest. Some officials thought, ac-

cording to one, that the government, should 'let Lee take his licks for tray-

ing Congress" on the visa vote. The year 1996 began with trouble on

every front. U.S. intelligence discovered the sale of \$70,000 in Chinese

ring magnets to Pakistan for use in

enriching uranium to weapons grade

A deadline oeared for \$3 billion in

retaliatory sanctions for brazen

Chinese pirating of U.S. compact discand laser discs. The annual UN Human

Rights Commission debate in Geneva

promised fireworks. Most of all, the Chinese were obviously not finished

with Taiwan. The island, which

Beijing regarded as a renegade province, had scheduled its first direct

The Clinton administration made no

of Taiwan.

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intelligence immediately recognized them as a major escalarion. The exercise was scheduled to go on until March 25, and with a start as provocative as this one it was not clear

where they would stop.

At the Pentagon, General John Shalikashvili, chamman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said at a briefing that a military exercise had just commenced the first of several phases. Submarines, destroyers and Russian-built Su-27 strike fighters were preparing for an air-and-sea superiority campaign near Dongsban and Nanao Islands in the southern strait. Amphibious forces had gathered, finally, for an assault to secure a beachhead on Haitan Island, selected according to naval intelligence "because of the similarity. of the topography there with that of Taiwan."

It was plainly a buge effort at intimidation, but was it. more? General Shalikashvili felt safe in ruling out a fullscale invasion of Taiwan. China simply lacked the sealift: resources, especially amphibious ships. Military planners dismissed the scenario as the "million man swim."

But oothing else seemed as certain. Mr. Perry argued for taking firm action to warn China, and Mr. Clinton an-

thorized the largest gathering of naval firepower in the region since the Qemoy and Matsu crises of 1958.

In Honolulu, Admiral Joseph Prueber ordered his U.S. Pacific Command to form a "crisis action team" to coordinate intelligence and air-and-sea operations around the clock. Chinese public rhetoric became as warlike as any heard in decades, including vows to "hury" the Americans if it came to a fight.

U.S. Describes Wartime Role of Neutral Nations Label His 10 Kids,

To some, it was a threat.

than Taipei."

By James Risen

WASHINGTON - Ever since search effort. the current uproar crupted over the fate of looted Nazi gold, the role that Switzerland played in helping to fi-nance Hitler's war machine has been the focus of debate.

But as investigators in the United States and other countries have scholars and historians said. scoured archives of World War II for clues, they have repeatedly stumbled over evidence raising broader questions about the nature of neutrality during the war.

Those questions have now come to the fore in a State Department report that takes a broad look at the role played by all of the major neutral countries in aiding Nazi Germany.

The report, which hooks at Spain, Sweden, Turkey, Portugal and Arentina, in addition to Switzerland, highlights the degree to which each country created its own definition of neutrality to survive and to prosper at a time when all the old rules had been thrown to the wind.

'Our report indicates the complexity of the notion of neutrality." said Stuart Eizenstat, undersecre-

tary of state for economic, business dinated the State Department re-

The standards for acceptable behavior by belligerents and neutral countries had been part of the European tradition for hundreds of years. of the war to German intimidation. But they offered little guidance to countries facing the blitzkrieg, legal "The rules in place were de-

signed for wars that were not crusades, "said Detley V ats, an extent on international law at Harvard Law School. "The rules were designed for much smaller wars." Gordon Craig, a leading scholar of

German history and professor emerwhat standards could be applied to the neutrals during that war? It was very difficult to be a small poster. very difficult to be a small nation in a Europe dominated by Hitler."

And so those legal guidelines that ent," rather than a neutral. did exist were often simply dis-

Sweden was among the most agand agricultural affairs, who coor- gressive in stretching the meaning of neutrality throughout the war, the report found. Snrrounded by German forces in Norway, Denmark and Finland, Sweden was vulnerable throughout the first few years

> The Swedes allowed German troops to cross their neutral territory to join the German invasion of the Soviet Union, and also allowed 250,000 German troops to use the Swedish railroad system to travel between occupied Norway and Germany. The Swedish Navy provided escort service for German military supply ships, while Swedish industry helped the Germans make up

new international status by declaring that it was a "nonbelliger-

Francisco Franco's fascist regime carded, or consistently violated, hy intended the claim of nonbelliger-many of the neutrals. It is clear that ence to signal that it was leaning these countries were committing un- Hitler's way but was not willing to neutral acts even hy the standards of the times," Mr. Eizenstat said.

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joining the Axis, Spain provided as many as 40,000 troops, supposedly volunteers, to fight on the Russian front aloogside the Germans.

Spain also remained an important German source of wolfram ore, a mineral used in making tungsten, a very hard metal critical to the German industrial base, the report

The State Department report is most critical of the neutrals for their refusal to give up their trade and financial relationships with the Nazis late in the war, when Germany had long since lost its ability to threaten or intimidate. In many cases, the neutrals kept trading with the Germans until the end. "The war could have been shortened hy months or years if the nentrals had cut back on their trade with Cer-many by 1943," Mr. Eizenstar

What is more, the neutrals were reluctant after the war to give in to Allied demands to return looted gold

they had received from Germany. Still, the State Department report is being crincized for adding little to



Mr. Eizenstat, who led the inquiry of the neutral countries.

to divert attention from Switzerland's role in aiding the Nazis hy showing hat other countries did, too.

"If you are working at State, you want to not be seen as aiming all your arrows at Switzerland," said Sidney Zabludoff, an international economist who has wrinen a study on Nazi gold sponsored by the World Jewish Congress. "I think because the report tried to be diplomatic and deal with a number of issues about neu-

Philippine Leader Says

Agence France-Presse

MANILA — The Philippine president-elect, Joseph Estrada, fathered 10 children with various women hut maintains those born out of marriage should not be called illegitimate, a newspaper report said nere Sunday.

"All told, Estrada has 10 children, eight boys and two girls. as of last count," the Philippine Daily Inquirer reported. All of

the children's names start with the letter "J." Mr. Estrada treats his children equally, with each of them; and their respective mothers being provided for generously and living in practically similar bouses, the report said. The

former movie actor's house "is also open to all his children." the newspaper added.

"There is no such thing as an illegitimate child," Mr. Estrada was quoted by the report as saying.

Mr. Estrada, who assumes office on June 30, married a doctor who left him in the late 1960s reportedly because of the other women in his life and his flamboyant movie actor's life! She took their three children to the United States with her: He has admitted to having numerous inegromate children

but will not disclose the total, and has said none of them would accuse him of being a deadbeat father. Mr. Estrada later reconciled with his wife Luisa in 1987,

shortly before he won a Senate seat. Aside from his wife, the other women in Mr. Estrada's life include three movie actresses, a film director's daughter and &

former student 20 years his junior. The Presidential Security Group will provide the homes of Mr. Estrada's other families tight security befitting a presidential family. The families live near Mr. Estrada's home.

TRAVEL UPDATE

More Woes for Travelers in Greece ATHENS (AP) - Strikes caused major delays Sunday for

air travelers across Greece, and the country braced for eight-hour work stoppages Monday and Tuesday hy rail workers who will also hold a 24-hour strike Wednesday.

A strike by civil aviation engineers caused flight delays of

up to six hours. The 48-hour strike was to end at midnight Sunday, but the engineers threatened to strike again in Angust. Olympic Airways canceled 10 domestic and international flights over the weekend because of a work-to-rule protest hy flight attendants.

World Cup Slump at Paris Hotels

PARIS (Bloomberg) — The number of people staying in Paris hotels is expected to be lower this June than last year, with the

World Cup apparently deterring more people than it is attracting.

The Paris Tourism Office says there will be 5 to 10 percent
fewer visitors during the June 10 to July 12 soccer finals. There were 1.2 million in that period last year, and 70 percent of rooms were taken. Hotels now are about 60 percent full most nights.

Full train service was expected by Monday in Poland, after engineers ended a four-day strike.

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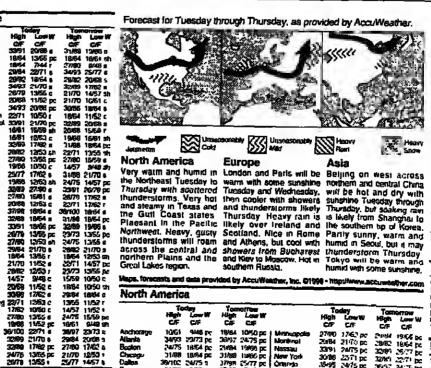
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But U.S. Maker Warns of Side Effects

By Diana Jean Schemo

BOGOTA — Bowing to demands from Washington, the Colombian government has agreed to test a granular herbicide to kill coca crops, despite public warnings from the chemical's American manufacturer against its use in Colombia.

In the United States, the berbicide, tebuthiuron, is used mostly to control weeds oo railroad beds and uoder high-

voltage lines far away from food crops and people. The Environmental Protectioo Agency requires a warning label on the chemical that says it could contaminate ground water, a side effect that Colombian eovironmental officials fear could prevent peasants from growing food where coca

once grew.

U.S. officials have decided to concentrate mure beavily oo treating illegal drug crops with chemicals, particularly in parts of southern Colombia under the control of leftist guerrillas. Those guerrillas have fired on aircraft attempting to spray herbicides oo coca crops.

American and Colombian police officials say that a granular herbicide will be more effective in the battle to control drugs. For four years, they have used a liquid toxin, glifosate, that has destroyed only 30 percent of the plants sprayed. Despite the effort, the amount of coca in Colombia has yet to decline, because eradication has prompted farmers to move and plant coca elsewbere. Last year, Colombia became the world's leading coca grower.

American and Colombian authorities also contend that tebuthiuron offers greater protection from gunfire for pilots, who must now fly low to furnigate in the early morning hours, when winds are calm and temperatures are lower. Tebuthiuron pellets can be dropped from higher alotudes in virtually any weather.

Washington has lobbied Andean governments to accept febuthiuron for more than a decade, even though the chemical's manufacturer, Dow AgroSciences, a subsidiary of Dow

Chemical Co., strongly opposes its use in Colombia.

"Tebuthiuron is not labeled for use nn any crops in Colombia, and it is our desire that the product not be used for coca eradication as well," the company said in a statement. Tebuthiuron granules, sold commercially as Spike 20P, should be used "carefully and in controlled situations." Dow cautioned, because "it can be very risky in situations where terrain has slopes, rainfall is significant, desirable plants are oearby and application is made under less than ideal cir-cumstances." The warning is a rough description of con-



COLOMBIANS GO TO POLLS - Andres Pastrana, the Conservative Party presidential candidate, voting in Bogota on Sunday. Mr. Pastrana faces Horacio Serpa the Liberal Party in a runoff for the presidency.

ditions in Colombia's coca growing regions. Dow, which all-plant, so-called vegan diet. faced years of lawsuits and public protest over the use of its Throughout its 52-year bistory, "Baby Agent Orange defoliant during the Vietnam war, said that if approached, it would refuse to sell tebuthiuron for use in Colombia. But U.S. officials note Dow's patent on the chemical has expired, allowing others to make it legally.

Critics in Colombia, including Eduardo Verano, the natioo's environmental minister, say the health effects of tebuthiuron on farming areas are unknown, and its use will only increase deforestation by pushing coca growers deeper into forest.

The American ambassador to Colombia, Curtis Kamman, said, "For a net environmental positive effect, getting rid of coca is the best course for Colombia.'

Dr. Spock's Disputed 'Vegan' Legacy

By Jane E. Brody New York Times Service

NEW YORK - Dr. Beojamin Spock, arguably the most influential pediatrician of all ome, has left children and their parents with a surprising and rather demanding legacy; advice that they stick to a vegetarian diet devoid of

all dairy products after the age of 2.

In the seventh edition of his world-famous book, "Baby and Child Care," issued last month by Pocket Books just weeks after Dr. Spock's death at age 94. he recommends an approach

to childhood nutrition that many experts, including his co-author, Dr. Steven Parker, consider too extreme and likely to result in outridonal deficiencies unless it is carefully planned and executed. We oow know that there

are harmful effects of a meaty diet." the book says. "Children can get plenty of protein and iron from vege-tables, beans and other plant foods that avoid the fat and cholesterol that are in animal products." As for dairy foods, Dr. Spock says, "I no looger recommend dairy products after the age of 2 years. Other calcium sources offer many advantages that dairy products do not

Given the influence of the book, pediatricians and outritionists have reacted with concern to Dr. Spock's oew recommendations to raise childreo on an and Child" Care has been the secondbest selling book next to the Bible. Overall, parents continue to rely heavily oo Dr. Spock as an anthorita ove guide to raising children.

Dr. T. Berry Brazelton, a pediatrician specializing in child behavior at Bostoo City Hospital and a longtime admirer and friend of Dr. Spock, called his new recommendations "absolutely insane." "I doo't agree with them at all," he said. "A vegetarian diet doesn't make any sense. Meat is an excellent source of the iron and protein children oeed, and to take milk away from childreo - 1 think that's really dangerous. Milk is

needed for calcium and vitamin D."

Experts expressed concern about the ability of small children to consume calories and fat to sustain oormal growth on an all-plant diet, as well as the diet's adequacy in supplying recommended amounts of such essential outrients as calcium, riboflavin, vitamin D, iron and zinc and possibly even protein. They

Raising children on an all-plant diet 'would be like climbing Mount Everest.' It can be done but with a lot of planning and balancing of nutrients.

> also said that having 10 follow a vegetarian diet free of dairy products could place undue social pressures on chil-dren, few of wbom like to be different from their friends.

'Raising children on an all-plant diet can be done, but it would be like climbing Mount Everest," said Dr. Michael Geor-giess, professor of pediatrics and child development at the University of Minoesota. "It would take an incredible amount of planning and balancing of nutrients." Dr. Georgiess, who wrote the chapter on vegetarian diets in the American Academy of Pediatrics nutrition handbook, said that a strictly vegetarian diet "involves very significant risks. It would probably provide only about 60 percent of a small child's calorie needs and maybe the same proportion of protein and would require supplementation with vitamin D, calcium, iron and zinc."

Starting with the first edition of his landmark book in 1946, Dr. Spock always included meat and milk products as part of a child's recommended diet. Dr. Spock's revisions of what had been

include small amounts of lean animal foods in childreo's diets — stemmed from a switch he himself made to an allplant diet in 1991, following a series of illnesses that left him weak and unable to walk unaided. His wife, Mary Mor-gan, said his health rebounded after he made the dietary change. He lost 50 pounds (22.7 kilograms), regained his ability to walk and became healthier overall and more energetic, she said.
"It enabled him to revise his book

before be died, which was his most important goal," she said.

Dr. Neal Barnard, presi-

dent of the Physicians for Re-sponsible Medicine, a Wasbington-based organization that advocates strict vegetarian diets for everyone, said be had drafted the section on outridon in the new edidon of Dr. Spock's book, but that Dr. Spock had edited it to give it "his per-

Ms. Morgan said, "Beo had a hand in every part of the book" and that be was "very committed" in the diet.

sonal touch."

It is not difficult at all to get complete nutrioon on a vegan diet if it is supplemented with Vitamin D and B-12," Dr. Barnard said. He said dietrelated problems like obesity and atherosclerosis begin in childhood and added, "today's kids are in worse health than ever before."

But Dr. Parker, the book's co-author and an expert in behavioral pediatrics at Bostoo Medical Center, objected to the stringency of the dietary advice and suggested that pareots at least be offered two alternatives, But Dr. Spock rejected this idea, stating in a letter to Dr. Parker that be wanted his book to be "in the forefront" of the growing awareoess of the link between animal foods and disease. As for dairy products, Dr. Spock wrote that some children are allergic to cow's milk and others have trouble di-

POLITICAL NOTES

House Majority Backs Campaign Reform Bill

WASHINGTON - A majority of the House, including 65 Republicans, has voted to protect a bipartisan campaign finance bill from a Republican leadership

effort to water it down by amendmeot.

The vote, 254 to 155, put Representatives Cirristopher Shays, Republican of Connecocut, and Martin Meehan, Democrat of Massachusetts, over only the first of many hurdles they will have to cross as they try to prevail in a free-for-all debate on campaign finance that is expected to last

until August. It indicated that a larger than expected with Newt Gingrich, the speaker, and ultimately vote for their bill to overhaul the law governing campaign cootributions and

belp shepherd it to passage.

The Shays-Mechan measure — and a companion bill in the Senate — have been fiercely opposed by top Republicans, who see it as an effort to cut into their party's tradioonal fund-raising advantage. It would effectively ban the large unregulated contributions to political parties that were at the beart of the 1996 campaign finance abuses and also curb independent advertising by interest groups.

WASHINGTON - Leaders of the two congressional tax-writing committees have reached agreement oo major portions of a bill that would fundamentally overhaul the Internal Revenue Service and strengthen taxpayers' rights in dealing with the

The agreement retreats somewhat from costly positions taken by the Senate earlier, and is expected to cost several billion dollars less than the \$18.3 billion 10-year cost of the Senate bill.

The chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, William Roth Jr., Republican of Delaware, said the measure would be "the most comprehensive reform" of the IRS.

Bill Arcber, Republican of Texas, who is chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, said decisions were not revenue-driven and in any case the "revenue loss was incidental" because the bill halts collection of money "we should not have been collecting in the first place." (WP)

Chung Divulges Names

WASHINGTON - Johnny Ching, a number of Republicans are likely to break former fund-raiser for the Democrats umea recer Democratic Party officials whose aggressive encouragement, his lawyer says, may have caused him to step over the line.

Mr. Chung has given detailed briefings about his cooversadons with party officials to federal invesogators, his lawyer, Brian Sun, confirmed in an interview. Mr. Sun did oot say who the officials were.

Mr. Chung has given federal investigators what Republicans said was the first hard evidence that China had planned to influence the 1996 presidential election.

Quote/Unquote

Newt Gingricb, the House speaker, say-ing that Republicans will seek at least \$4

IRS Measure Advances

billion in emergency spending to solve the millennium computer problem: "We believe that the Year 2000 compoter problem is a lot bigger problem than the president and the administration has admitted. For all their talk about the Information Superhighway, Al Gore is presiding over a large wreck oo Jan. 1, 2000." (AP)

Away From **Politics**

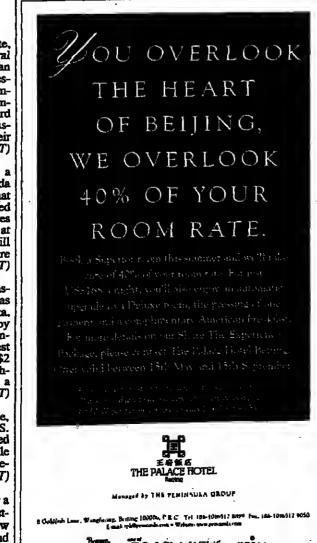
Charlotte. North Carolina, the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) passed a resolution calling on the denomination's 2.6 million members to take steps toward removing handguns and assault weapons from their

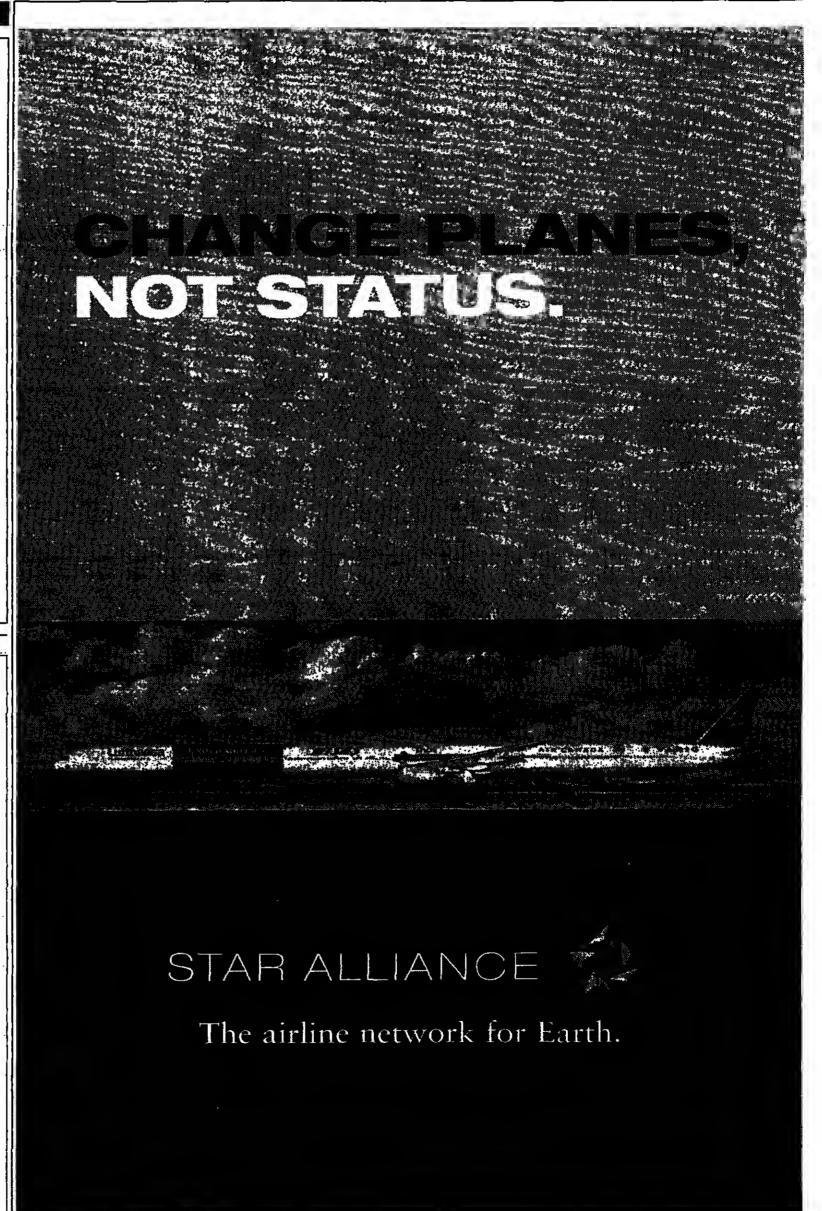
 With record heat and a prolonged drought, Florida has battled 137 wildfires that in three weeks have burned across more than 49,000 acres in 34 counties and injured at least 14 people. President Bill Clinton declared the entire state a disaster area. (NYT)

 One of the longest and oastiest family disputes has ended as a jury in Topeka, Kansas, blocked efforts by William Koch, of Koch Industries, one of the richest men in America, to get \$2 billion from two of his brothers who he said cheated in a business deal.

• Calling it too expensive, some of the biggest U.S. health insurers have decided not to pay for Viagra, the male impotence drug, under pre-scription drug plans. (NYT)

• \$1.1 million was paid for a gold Patek Philippe wrist-watch at an anction in New York. Only three of its kind were made. It was believed to a record U.S. price. (NYT)





Surprise Outcome Gives Rightists Chance to Form Coalition

By Peter S. Green International Herald Tribune

PRAGUE — Shying away from a seats. radical change, Czechs split their In vote in weekend elections for a new Parliament, leaving Vaclav Klaus, and 24 seats. the former prime minister, unex-

The opposition Social Democrats emerged as the single largest party, but they are thought unlikely to be able to form a government.

If the three rightist parties can bury their differences, they could seats. hold a two-seat majority in the 200seat Chamber of Deputies, freezing out the left.

The result, however, leaves little prospect of a long-term stable gov-

The voting Sunday had come two years ahead of the election schedule, after Mr. Klaus's rightist coalition collapsed following charges that his Civic Democratic Party had accepted campaign contributions in exchange for favors in the country's post-Communist privatization pro-

Throughout its 18 months in power, Mr. Klaus's government was a virtual hostage to the Christian key part of any rightist coalition

The Social Democrats finished first, with 32.3 percent of the vote ment.

and 74 seats. Mr. Klaus's Civic

munist Party, which took 11 percent

The Christian Democrats, backed pectedly poised for a return to largely by farmers and devout Roman Catholics, finished fourth, with 9 percent and 20 seats.

And the Preedom Union, whose down the government, finished in fifth place, with 8.6 percent and 19

No other parties managed to cross the 5-percent barrier needed to enter Parliament, including the national-istic Republican Party, which held 18 seats in the last Parliament, and the Pensioners for a Secure Life, a party that pulled nearly 10 percent in pre-election voter surveys.

"We have suffered a victory," the security affairs spokesman for the Social Democrats said, with deliberate irony.
It is not considered likely that the

Social Democrats will have to en-dure that pain of "victory" for very

Sources in the Prague Castle said that President Vaclay Havel would Democrats, who would again be a ask the leader of the Social Democrats, Milos Zeman, as head of the strongest party, to make the first endeavor to form a new govern-

(a)

But potential coalition partners Democratic Party (ODS) came in were already distancing themselves second, with 27.7 percent and 63 from the Social Democrats, quietly eats.

In third place was the rump Comwork with Mr. Klaus.

"Our platform is so different that we cannot form a coalition with the Social Democrats," said the Freedom Union's leader, Jan Ruml, "It is out of the question."

Echoing a view held by Mr. Ruml, Finance Minister Ivan Pilip, a split from Mr. Klaus last fall brought deputy chairman of the Freedom Union, fell short of ruling out a coalition with Mr. Klaus.

"It would be very difficult to form a government with Mr. Klaus," he said. "The corruption scandals must be cleared up before we do any deal."

The Christian Democrats' chairman, Josef Lux, said he could work with Mr. Zeman's Social Democrats and could probably agree on a common program. But he indicated that he might be

prepared to join with the ODS provided Mr. Klaus behaved less "arrogantly," as he put it, and if the ODS would be prepared to change some of its positions.

Despite long-standing differences with Mr. Klaus over key economic issues such as bank privatization, subsidies and tariffs to help farmers, he, too, refused to rule out a coalition with Mr. Klaus. Mr. Klaus was relishing his prospective comeback.



Milos Zeman, right, Social Democrats' leader, meeting Josef Lux, head of the Christian Democrats, on Sunday to discuss vote.

Asked if he was prepared to step aside from the prime ministership to income certificates and with many cement a rightist coalition, Mr. Klaus indicated there would be no ODS-led government without him. ODS-led government without him.

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The Czech Republic is the only country in post-Communist Europe where the right has ruled without a break since the fall of communism nearly a decade ago.

But despite widespread popular

discontent with the Thatcher-like economic policies of Mr. Klaus, falling living standards and the corruption and mismanagement that marred his rule, the Czechs apparently decided not to take a chance. "With their wild rhetoric, intira-

thousands of people who were really want a rightist or a leftist govern-ment. They have to choose, not voted for a lesser evil," wrote the newspaper Mlada Fronta Dnes.

Lidove Noviny, the intellectual daily, warned in an editorial that unless the Social Democrats formed a government, they would be forced to take more radical positions. If Mr. Klaus's ODS ended up

returning to power, it added, without having been censured by the voters for corruption and failures of the country's economic transformation, "it could develop the impression that it can do what it wants without bearing any responsibility for its acidating people with the possible in-

BRIEFLY

Iran Condemns Assassination

BAGHDAD - Iraq has blamed the killing of a visiting franian cleric in southern Iraq on foreign elements, newspapers reported Sunday.

Iran, meanwhile, summoned Iraq's chargé d'affaires in Tehran to protest Thursday's assassination of Ayatollah Mirza Ali Gharavi and warned it could have negative impact on relations between the two countries. (AP)

U.S.-Mexico Tensions Ease

MORELIA, Mexico - Mexican and U.S. lawmakers agreed over the weekend to work on smoothing over recent rough spots in their bilateral relationship.

The Mexicans retreated from sharp criticism of perceived U.S. interference after lecturing their counterparts at the opening of this bilateral encounter on respecting Mexico's sovereignty. Tensions rose last month after a U.S. sting operation in which dozens of Mexican bank officials were charged with money laundering. (Remers)

Brazilian Plays Soccer Card

BRASILIA — President Fernando Henrique Cardoso of Brazil tapped the country's World Cup success to launch a feel-good campaign for re-election.

Almost drowning in a sea of Brazil's national green and yellow colors. Mr. Cardoso's Brazil Social Democratic Party officially announced his candidary at a raucous American-style convention here on Saturday. (Reuters)

For the Record

Voters in the West African country of Togo went to the polls Sunday for the first round of elections expected to be dominated by President Gnassigbe Eyadema. (AP)

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Business Leaders Agree on Shadow Cabinet

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MOSCOW --- Russia's powerful business tycoons, after a year of hitter conflict to gain riches and property. have set aside their differences and offered to form what would in effect be a shadow cabinet for the beleaguered Russian government.

The hope is to avert devaluation of the ruble.

At a forest retreat here once favored by Stalin, the magnates gathered twice in recent days to meet with Prime Minister Sergei Kiriyenko. Only a few weeks ago, the new prime minister was promising to keep his distance from the business tycoons, who are looked upon as a Russian financial oligarchy. At the most recent meeting, held

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See all Suntal Descriptions Thursday evening, the economic po-tentates presented Mr. Kiriyenko with a plan to create a council to help him cope with the crisis.

They would pay the salaries of the council's staff members and would sit on the council, along with some of the government's top economic policy-

A newspaper editor, Mikhail Berger, whose paper is owned by one of the tycoons, Vladimir Gusinsky, said the powerful figures risked becoming a "third government," after the branches under President Boris Yeltsin and Prime Minister Kirivenko.

The plan drew a receptive nod from Mr. Kiriyenko, but Mr. Yeltsin has not yet indicated whether he would approve

A similar operation was established by seven of the businessmen in 1996 to engineer President Yeltsin's re-election campaign to win over the Communist Party leader, Gennadi Zyuganov. They spent many millions to set up a staff, then headed by Anatoli Chubais, to supervise the Yeltsin campaign.

Mr. Chubais, who for six years has been the lightning rod in Russia for a controversy over liberal economic reforms, bas been recruited again, this time as Mr. Yeltsin's envoy to international financial institutions.

join the oligarchs' club, as chief execuove of Unified Energy Systems, the electricity monopoly.

But Mr. Chubais has also sought to

The financiers benefited handsomely from the sell-off of state property in the last few years, and critics say the Russian economic leaders are already too

close to the seat of power. But the latest financial turnoil appears to be suffi-ciently worrisome that much of last year's debate about robber-baron capitalism, and the marriage of politics and money, has been muted in recent

At the center of concern is the pros-

pect of a devaluation of the ruble. Mr. Yelisin and his government have steadfastly insisted they will not de-value the currency, and they appealed to the international financial community for \$10 billion to \$15 billion to help bolster Russia's depleted reserves.
"We are still on our feet," Mr.

Yeltsin said at week's end during a visit to the Kostroma region. "The ruble is bolding out, but is at its limit."

Part of the pressure on the ruble is the flight of investors from Russia and other emerging markers after the Asian financial crisis began in October. The lack of investor confidence has forced the government to offer ever-higher interest rates on short-term debt and has blown a buge hole in Russia's already tattered public finances.

Russia flirted with the idea of an international bailout, but Mr. Chubais then made an appeal. A high-level del-egation from the International Monetary Fund is due in Russia shortly.

The chief fears about devaluation are

that it would lead to panic, hyperinflation, a return to uncontrolled fiscal and monetary policy and a collapse of the Russian banking system.

The ruble is now set at about six to the dollar, and some analysts have said it is inevitably headed for a 30 to 40 percent

devaluation. It would help exporters, especially Russia's beleaguered oil companies. Four of the current group of 11 business leaders --- Vagit Alekperov of Lukoil; Mikhail Khodorkovsky of Rosproni-Yukos; Rem Vyakhirev of Gazprom, and Vladimir Bogdanov of Surgutneftegaz - are primarily in the oil and gas business.

The group also includes Mr. Chubais, Mr. Gusinsky, who is head of Media-MOST: Alexander Smolensky of SBS-Agro, a banking group, Boris Berezovsky, an auto, airline, oil and media magnate who is also executive secretary of the Commonwealth of Independent States; Mikhail Friedman of Alfa Group, a banking and industrial conglomerate; Vladimir Potanin, head of the Interros group, and Vitali Malkin of the Russian Credit Bank.



One of many cars damaged in Moscow when hundreds of trees were appropted by wind.

6 Die as Wild Storm Batters Moscow

By Daniel Williams

Washington Post Service

MOSCOW - Hurricane-force winds knocked down hundreds of trees and toppled billboards and kiosks during a brief, violent storm during the night that left six city residents

The unusually violent winds followed a week remember the last time such a storm raked the

botanical face of the city was changed in the space of half an hour.

debris. As they worked in city parks, they un- service.

covered at least two bodies crushed by trees. Reports said that other victims were electrocuted by fallen power lines and flying debris.

Trees inside and along the red walls of the Kremlin snapped in two. Along Novy Arbat boulevard, a major commercial thoroughfare, giant signs commemorating last year's 850th anniversary of the city crushed outdoor cafes.

"The damage is huge and it will take more of hot weather in Moscow, and no one could than a day or two to return to normal," a statement from city hall said.

In the aftermath of the disaster, Mayor Yuri Some of the fallen trees were decades old. The contained face of the city was changed in the city would pay to repair the damage done to automobiles owned by poor people. "The rich Police and army crews rushed to clear the can repair their own cars," he told Interfax news

Ethnic Clashes Spread Across Kosovo

Agence France-Presse

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia — A Serb was killed Sunday during clashes in Kosovo, and both Serbian and Albanian sources reported outbreaks of shooting in various parts of the tense province. Oliver Zajic, 18, died of wounds after fighting between Albanians and Serbs in the center of Kosovo, near Klina, the Serbian Information Center said here.

Earlier Sunday, the center reported that armed Albanians had attacked Serbs' houses and a police

Two attacks Saturday targeted houses of Serbs troops and ethnic Albanians seeking to win inthe central village of Jelovac and a police station dependence for Kosovo.

in the village of Rudnik, the Serbs' information service said.

On Sunday morning, a group of Albanians with guns attacked villages in the central region around Kijevo, where about 60 Serbian families live, the center added.

It did not report casualties in these attacks, but it noted that two Serbs were missing after the attack in Jelovac.

Albanian sources said clashes were continuing Sunday in the west and south of the province, which is torn by conflict between Serbian security

Pontiff Rebukes Austrian Bishops

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VIENNA — Pope John Paul II fired parting shots Sunday at his quarteling Austrian bishops, but steered clear of directly addressing a sex scandal and dampened any hopes he would change his positions on courch policy.

The country's primate, Cardinal Christoph Schoenborn, acknowledged that the conflicts buffeting the Austrian courch have caused some people to lose confidence in the Pope and the bishops."

"All this calls for a change of ways, forgiveness, re-conciliation and renewal," Cardinal Schoenborn said in wel-coming the Pope at his final Mass in Austria.

A smaller-than-expected crowd of about 50,000 people turned out in the Heldenplatz, or Heroes' Square. John Paul beatified three people, including a nun. Sister

Restituta Kafka, who was arrested by the Gestapo for putling up crosses in a hospital. 'A bishop by She was beheaded in 1943. himself does not Beatification is the last step realize the project

before possible sainthood. The three-day visit, John Paul's third to Austria, was aimed at calming the waters in this traditional Catholic

of Christ." bastion that has been rocked by accusations that a cardinal

sexually abused young boys, divisions among bishops and demands for reform signed by a half-million Austrians. John Paul issued his verdict in a private meeting of Austrian bishops following Sunday's Mass. The Vatican released the

"A bishop by himself does not realize the project of Christ," the Pope said in a clear reference to Bishop Kurt Krenn, a conservative who has angered many by his staunch support for Cardinal Hans Hermann Groer. The cardinal was forced by the Vatican to relinquish his duties following accusations of pedophilia.

The Pope also scolded the hishops for going public with their conflicts, saying that "like every house that has special rooms that are not open to all guests," the church, too, needs "rooms for talks that require privacy."

In his only possible reference during the trip to the Groer case, the Pope said he knew his bishops had been "put through trials of various types" and that they were "particularly

The Pope made no mention of demands that the Vatican drop its celibacy requirement for priests and allow women into the priesthood.

Speaking Saturday to a group of Austrian officials and dignitaries that included former President Kurt Waldheim, the pontiff said that European Christians had a moral obligation to fully reconcile with the Jews.

We cannot forget that the history of Europe is tightly entwined with the history of the people from whence came our Lord, Jesus," the Pope said. "Unspeakable suffering was inflicted on the Jewish people in Europe, and we cannot affirm that all the roots of this injustice have been eradicated Reconciliation with the Jews is one of the most fundam

duties of Christians in Europe."

As he did with all the other guests, the Pope afterward shook Mr. Waldheim's hand and said a few words.

Historians and researchers have accused Mr. Waldheim, 79, of complicity in war crimes in the Balkans while he served as an officer in the German Army during World War II. Mr. Waldheim denies the accusations.

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Prodi Faces Test on NATO Vote

ROME --- Italy's lower house of Parliament starts a debate Monday on NATO enlargement with the government baunted by the prospect its fragile majority could crumble when the issue is put to a vote.

Prime Minister Romano Prodi had been relying on centrists to approve the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's eastward expansion after the hard-left Communist Refoundation, which ensures the government's lower house majority, said it was determined to vote against.

But the new centrist UDR bloc, led by former President Francesco Cossiga and composed of former opposition members, is now warning that its support for the admission of Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic is not a fait ac-

-compli, "Our 'yes' on the NATO vote cannot be taken for granted," a UDR official, Clemente Mastella, said Sunday, turning on its head the UDR's assertion earlier this month that it would vote for ratification of the treaty to let the three countries into

Officials Die in Grozny Shooting

GROZNY, Russia - The security chief of Russia's breakaway region of Chechnya and the chief of staff of a splinter group were killed in the capital Grozny in mysterious cir-

cumstances Sunday, news agencies reported.

Itar-Tass news agency quoted the Chechen Interior Ministry as saying that Lechi Khultygov and Vakha Dzhafarov, a commander of forces loyal to the maverick field commander, Salman Radnyev, had been shot dead in central Grozny

while executing their duties."

Interfax news agency carried a similar story sourced to the

spokesman of the Chechen president, Aslan Maskhadov.
Neither of the agencies gave any details.
Earlier Snnday, Mr. Raduyev, who advocates a tougher line than Mr. Maskhadov in dealing with Moscow, publicly accused him of involvement in the death of former Chechen leader, Dzhokar Dudayev, who died in a Russian rocket attack

Mr. Raduyev, whose own television station was switched off by Mr. Maskhadov last week, took several hundreds of his armed supporters to central Grozny demanding air time on the government-controlled channel.

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300 Neo-Nazis In Jobs Protest

BERLIN - With the antiforeigner slogan "Jobs for Germans first," about 300 neo-Nazis rallied against unemployment at a bousing project in eastern Berlin. Police reported no violence

in the protest in the Hellersdorf neighborhood Saturday by the extreme-right National Democratic Party of Germany. About 200 leftists gathered in Hellersdorf as well in a counterdemonstra-

For the Record

Several Parliamentary members of the Greens, a key part of the center-left challenge to Chancellor Helmut Kohl, urged their leader, Jurgen Trittin, to resign Sunday for jeopardiz-ing the party's election chances with an outspoken at-tack on the army. (Reuters)

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MELBOURNE - Battered by changes they cannot control, including fears of being swamped by Asian migrants fleeing the region's economic crisis and Asian imports made irresistibly cheap by currency depreciation, Australians are turning to a far-right political party in such large numbers that it could upset the country's policy of further liberalizing its economy and moving closer to Asia, officials and analysts say.

The far-right party, One Nation, is led by Pauline Hanson, an independent member of Australia's federal Parliament, who advocates curbs on Asian immigration and the imposition of tariffs to protect industries and jobs from import competition.

The party stunned the Australian political establishment and alarmed Asia when it won 23 percent of the vote in recent state elections in Queensland in its first appearance at the polls since it was launched in April 1997.

One Nation has even greater support

in the state of Western Australia than in Queensland, a newspaper public opinion survey showed Sunday. Analysts are warning that it could emerge as a powerful third force in Australian politics alongside the conservative Liberal and National Parties, which form the governing federal coalioon, and the op-

position Labour Party.

The coalition headed by Prime Minister John Howard is expected to call an early general election before the end of the year because if he waits until his term ends in mid-1999, the government could lose as the full impact of East Asia's economic and financial meltdown hits Australia, which sells 60 per-

cent of its exports to the region.

Officials of China, Malaysia and Thailand warned last week that if One Nation continued to gain support, it could increase anti-Asian sentiment in the country, driving a wedge between Australia and the region and further damaging the climate for trade and in-

Mr. Howard, who has been widely criticized in Australia and Asia for being too slow to repudiate Ms. Hanson's populist program, sought on Sunday to limit the damage by announcing that he would put One Nation last in his Sydney electorate on how-to-vote cards. They largely determine how Liberals and members of other major parties cast their ballots in Australia's preferential

voting system.

Nearly all parliamentary candidates and branches of the governing parties are expected to follow Mr. Howard's lead. Officials also said that the government would step up its attack on Ms.

Hanson and her party when the federal Parliament resumes Monday.

Foreign Minister Alexander Downer, who recently returned from a visit to Southeast Asia, where he sought to calm concerns over One Nation's rise to prominence, said that although "the vast majority of Australians don't go along with the sort of nonsense that



Pauline Hanson campaigning in Australia for her party, One Nation.

Pauline Hanson produces," it was important for the government to set out elearly why "our engagement with Asia is in Australia's best interests."

Mr. Howard said that exports and foreign investment created jobs in Aus-'Open markets are a two-way street," he said. "We can't close ours and expect others to keep theirs

The governing coalition advised voters to put One Nation ahead of La-

come in Australia.

"For the first time, I've actually heard over the last couple of weeks people of Asian descent who've lived in this country for a very long time say they feel a little bit unwelcome," he said.

which helped Ms. Hanson's party win

11 seats in the state Parliament.

Asked on Sunday wby he had now decided to put One Nation last in his party's preferences, Mr. Howard said that minorities were telling him that they were being made to feel unwel-

One Nation links Australia's high unemployment - 8.1 percent in May with a sharp rise in Asian immigration in the 1980s.

Asian-born Australians still make up barely 5 percent of the country's 18 million population but Ms. Hanson emphasizes that Asians now make up about 40 percent of Australia's annual immigration, officially planned to total

about 80,000 for the year to June 1999.
"I believe we are in danger of being swamped by Asians," Ms. Hanson said in her first speech in Parliament in 1996. "They have their own culture and religion, form ghettos and do not assim-

One Nation blames the erosion of living standards of many less-affluent Australians, especially those living on farms or in country towns, on government policies since the 1980s to deregulate the economy and make it more competitive, cut import tariffs and develop closer trade ties with Asia at the cost of links with Western countries, including Britain and Europe, where most Australians trace their roots.

The Sunday Times of Perth said that its survey showed One Nation's support running at 25 percent across that city's metropolitan area.

It said that backing for the party, which wants a halt to immigration until unemployment falls, an end to special assistance to Australia's aboriginal minority, cheap loans to farmers and small business, tariff protection and restrictions on foreign ownership, had surged to 45 percent in the Perth seat of Brand. That is enough to topple the incumbent member, the Federal Labour

leader, Kim Beazley.
Mr. Beazley criticized Mr. Howard's government on Sunday, saying that it did "too little, too late" to counter One Nation's appeal, but adding that be expected its support in his electorate and across the country to diminish as the

general election approached.
"It won't take long for people to realize that Pauline Hanson and her party bave no solutions to problems,"

But other analysts said that One Nation appeared to be tapping a deep vein of public discontent in Australia about the consequences of economic liberalization and the Asian crisis and about the failure of the major parties to deal with these concerns,

"The One Naoon vote is essentially a protest by low-income city and country employees left behind as the gap be-tween the well-off and the struggling increases," said John Edwards, chief economist for Australia in the Sydney office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank group.

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JAMMU, India -- Indian paramilitary soldiers combed the forests in Jammu and Kashmir state on Sunday in an effort to track down gunmen who massacred 25 men at a Hindu wedding party bu

Three battalions of a crack counter-insurgency force were rushed to the mountainous Doda region where the killings occurred.

Witnesses said five gummen separated the men from the women at the wedding party at gunpoint and demanded money. Later they opened indiscriminate fire on the men. No group has claimed responsibility for the massacre, which is the third this year. (Reuters)

Sukarno's Family Seeks to Clear Him

BLITAR, Indonesia — The family of Sukarno, Indonesia's founding president, has called for his name to be cleared on the 28th. anniversary of his death under house arrest as a political prisoner.

In yet another grievance being given a fresh and public hearing after the fall of former President Suharto last month, one of Mr. Sukarno's daughters, Rachmawati Sukarnoputri, told thousands gathered Saturday night at his remote grave site in this East Java town that her father died a political prisoner and she would endeavor to restore his good name.

"Up to now, the laws which held him as a political prisoner have yet to be revoked," she told the crowd. This he against my father is worse. than murder. My father is nothing less than a leader of this country.

For the Record

Five senior Khmer Ronge officials whose defections this month crippled the intellectual base of the movement urged in Phnom Penh Sunday that the guerrillas' brutal past be forgotten. The officials sidestepped all questions at a news conference relating to atrocities in Cambodia committed during the Pol Pot regime. (AFP)

Imprisoned East Timor Rebel Leader Rejects Offer of Release

JAKARTA - An imprisoned rebel chief from East Timor rejected on Sun-day an offer from the Indonesian pres-

ident for his release in exchange for worldwide recognition of the disputed territory as part of Indonesia. "In principle, I don't agree," the separatist rebel commander, Jose

Xanana Gusmao, said in Cipinang prison in Jakarta, where he is serving a 20year sentence for fighting Indonesian Mr. Gusmao briefly commented on the proposal by President B. J. Habibie

in response to a question from a reporter who entered the prison during visiting The rebel leader, who is revered by many East Timorese, says that the former Portuguese colony should be al-lowed to decide in a referendum if it

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wants independence.

Portugal and other East Timorese advocates of a vote on self-determination also criocized Mr. Habibie's proposal to

end the conflict in the territory.

Indonesia invaded East Timor in 1975 and annexed it a year later. Tens of thousands of people died in fighting and ensuing famine and disease. The United Nations still recognizes Portugal as East Timor's administering power, and Indonesia still faces armed opposition to

Mr. Habibie, who took office last month, said Saturday that he would free Mr. Gusmao, withdraw thousands of Indonesian troops from East Timor and grant it special status and development unding. Under Mr. Habibie's proposal, the United Nacons, Portugal and the world community would then accept East Timor as Indonesia's 27th

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and tried in 1992, says that offers of must understand. Only a referendum autonomy for East Timor are not will guarantee a solution that is just, as

On Saturday, at a celebration of his 52d birthday with friends, activists and other poliocal prisoners, he said: "I think the problem of autonomy is not a relevant problem because autonomy is just a consequence of integration, and it is not an alternative solution.

The authorioes refused to let journalists enter the prison Saturday, and friends of Mr. Gusmao's recorded his remarks as well as the birthday cel-

ebration on videotape, Mr. Gusmao said: "The solution of the problem must be in the framework of the United Nations and a just and free process where the East Timorese people can choose their destiny."

"There won't be a solution without a referendum," he said. "This is But Mr. Gusmao, who was captured something the Indonesian government

well as a stable and lasting peace."

Mr. Gusmao was visited last week by

the Jakarta-appointed governor of East Timor, and they are believed to have discussed the new Indonesian initiative, but the former guerrilla leader did not refer to the meeting.

The rebel leader blamed the Indone-

sian armed forces, known as ABRI, for being behind Mr. Habibie's stance.

I think the problem of East Timor is founded on the attitude of ABRI," he said, "The reforms in Indonesia are slow forward steps like a turtle because of reactionary forces. The same reacdonary forces that are in ABRI.

'The problem of East Timor is also affected by these reactionary forces in ABRI who don't want to accept a just internacional solution," Mr. Gusmao (AP, Reuters)

BOOKS

THE BEACH:

The History of Paradise on Earth By Lena Lencek and Gideon Bosker. 310 pages. \$25.95. Viking.

Reviewed by Jooathan Yardley THIS interesting if somewhat over-

wrought book claims to tell, "grain by grain," the story of "the transformanion of the beach from an alien, inaccessible and hostile wilderness devoted to conquest, commerce, exploration and the primal customs of tribal cultures, into a thriving, civilized, pleasure- and recreation-oriented outpost of Western life where so many sybarioc impulses of culture have been indelibly concentrated." Like much of Lena Lencek and Gideon Bosker's prose, that is a mouthful, but it is also an accurate summary of what they accomplish in "The Beach."

As with so much else commined by academics these days in the name of "populat culture," "The Beach" makes too much of too little. The assumption that everything is blessed (or cursed) with Larger Meanings is fundamental to cultural commentary, and practitioners of such always look for meanings even when they are not there. Thus we have in this book a great deal of nattering along the lines of "the story of the beach is also the story of power and conquest," or "the beach is at once escape valve and inspiration, symbol and playground," or "it invites watchers to unearth not only the dominant, culturally elite themes of a period, but its popular sensibilities." The best counsel is to read through this malarkey and concentrate on the authors' research, which is thorough, careful and

unfailingly informative.

What Lencek and Bosker are here to tell us is that the beach wasn't always the beach. We take it for granted, and think of it only in terms of travel arrangements, cottage or motel reservations, suntan lotion and swimwear. It that the beach has a long history, much

of which bears no resemblance to the place we know now. What we regard without reflection as an idyllic vacation spot, made for relaxation and healthy exercise, was seen in earlier times as a source of shipwrecks, drownings and danger, the location of bloody battles and the hiding place of evil spirits.

To most ancient cultures the beach was "both a life force and, for centuries, an unpredictable geological zone that bred fear and loathing among the na-tives." It took the Greeks and Romans to discover the salutary effects of bathing and swimming, to find in the sea "the lifeblood of civilized pleasures." Though these pleasures were rejected during the Dark Ages, when "water's moral and hygienie prestige" was among the many victims of the plagues, they established the precedent for modem attitudes toward the beach.

Over the centuries many influences combined to alter popular attitudes, at least so Lencek and Bosker persuasively argue. Among these were the Grand Tour, which introduced the wealthy to the exotic delights of Pacific islands; souvenir collecting, which made shells and other relics of the shore desirable possessions: Romantic poetry and Impressionist art, in both of which the sea and seashore had "potent spiritual and aesthetic dimensions"; the invention of railroads, automobiles and other forms of transportation that made distant beaches accessible to city dwellers, and the evolution of swimwear from heavy. clammy garments that discouraged immersion in the water to sleek, minimalist ones that made swimming easy as well as emphasized the strong sexual underiones of sand, water and sun.

Lencek and Bosker comprehensively detail the history of seaside resorts, beginning with the great English beaches - Bath and Brighton most famously and continuing through Normandy and the Riviera, Hawaii and the Pacific, New Jersey, Florida and California. Though the authors tend, like Shelley

and Keats, toward a romantic view of

the beach, they do not flinch from describing the worst hours in its history, which occurred during World War II; "The names of some of the most beautiful beaches of the world - Dieppe, Anzio, Normandy, Salerno, the Solomons, Leyte Gulf, Iwo Jima — could never again be uttered without resonating with gunfire and the moans of the dying. In their devastation and menace, the violence staged by war would indeed recreate the horrifying visions of beach-as-hell whose full measure had already been taken in the Bible." As the point of transition from sea to land, and vice versa, the beach has as much potential for horror as for pleasure.

But it is for the latter that we go to the

beach, and it is as symbol of pleasure that the beach has acquired a significant role in popular mythology. Nowhere is this truer than in the movies, from Deborah Kerr and Burt Lancaster passionately kissing in "From Here to Eternity" to Esther Williams dancing her innumerable water ballets to Annette Funicello and Frankie Avalon doing their "Bikini Beach" routines. As the authors write, in a passage that illustrates the excesses to which their prose too often runs: "With their teen-o-centric thematics

and adult-o-phobic polarization of characters, Hollywood's rocking beach reels helped establish the world of youth as a separate culture of innocent hedonism, a paradise of noble savages whose naïveté and ingenuousness were a shield against the cynicism, complacency and materialism of their elders. With their sanitized romance, mild personal eccentricities and never-never land of bourgeois youth, these films were preeursors to such 1990s TV dramas as 'Baywatch,' and tingled the nerves of pubescent viewers who saw the beach as a safe haven where mundane social intercourse was set in comic opposition to muffled crotic impulses." There they go again: Larger Meanings! Never mind. Despite its authors' worst intentions, "The Beach" is a good book

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BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott

A T the annual U.J.A. Fed-eration Charity Game Tom Smith of Greenwich, Conneticut, was playing with Cynthia Colin of Manhattan. and they scored 67 percent capturing the title. Runnersup were Bob Blanchard and Harold Greenberg of Rye. New York. This was a matchpoint event, so overtricks were crucial as the diagramed deal demonstrates. At nearly 48 all tables, South opened two 0 3 9 5 no-trump and reached three & _ no-trump after North had 4_ looked for a major-suit fit

with a Stayman response. There was no difficulty in making the contract. The issue was whether South would

the queen with the ace. She collecting most of the match then cashed eight minor-suit points. winners, guessing to drop the diamond jack rather than finessing. The ending is

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helped East to discard the heart king, for South would have led a heart to establish dummy's 10. There was a similar pos-

sibility at other tables after a spade lead, although the de-fense had a theoretical chance of saving the extra trick. After South took the spade ace and cashed the minor-suit winners, the play of the ace and another heart endplayed East and allowed the spade queen to score.

In this variation, East can hardly be blamed for failing to discard a heart honor on the

emerge with 10 tricks or 11. shown at left. South exited fourth clob. And if he did, When Colin was South, she with a heart, forcing East to South could counter by leadreceived a heart lead and won lead from the spade king, and ing a low heart instead of cashing the ace.

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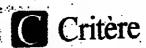
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Get Moving, Japan

been meeting in Tokyo with a sense of urgency that was lacking for most of this decade as Japan refused to deal with its banking crisis. Now Japan has promised prompt action, and has earmarked money to do the job. What is unclear is whether the Japanese authorities are able to act decisively.

Action is essential because Japan is in the midst of a severe credit crunch as shaky banks try to avoid new losses by avoiding almost all loans. That has put a stranglehold on the economy, deepening Japan's recession and making the bad-loan problem even more

It is hard to imagine a worse time for Japan to be in recession. The problems of developing countries in Asia remain

severe, and are hurting others.

Asian countries, unable to afford things, have slashed their imports, and American exports are falling. The developing countries, confronted with their own weak banks and deht-ridden companies, will have a hard enough time recovering even if Japan does get moving and resume huying their products. Without a Japanese recovery, it is easy to understand why World

International financial officials have Bank officials have started talking about an Asian depression.

Intervention by Tokyo and Washington to support the yen set off rallies in financial markets around the world last week, but they quickly faded as investors looked for action, not words. Japan needs to determine which banks are insolvent and close them, while protecting depositors.

At the same time, it needs to bail out

economy can recover.
Unfortunately, work on sorting out
which banks should be saved seems to

There is oo guarantee that the rest of Asia will recover soon even if Japan starts growing again and keeps its currency from collapsing. But the chances of that happening will be far greater if Japan deals with its problems decis-

Still Stalling in Iraq

Nations inspectors had agreed on a two-month "road map" toward compliance on weapons inspections prompted some optimism that a standoff which has lasted as long as this decade might be nearing an end. That, at least, was the impression that Iraqi officials were eager to convey — that soon there would be no conceivable pretext for the United Nations to continue its sanctions against Iraq.
But a more detailed report from the

chief United Nations weapons inspec-tor, the Australian diplomat Richard Butler, then revealed a more familiar and discouraging story: that Iraq remains far from compliance.

After invading Kuwait and being defeated in a subsequent war by a U.S.-led alliance, Iraq promised, as a condition of cease-fire, to rid itself of all nuclear, chemical and hiological weapons. Instead of fulfilling that promise, however, the Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein has compiled a record of deceit and obfuscation in his attempt to hold on to as much of his arsenal as possible.

Iraq's pattern has been to deny possession of any weapons of mass destruction until caught, then to admit to only as much as the United Nations' dogged inspectors have uncovered and swear that this time it is really

Ambassador Butler went to Baghdad most recently in hopes of putting

appeals court upheld her manslaughter

conviction in the death of 8-month-old

Matthew Eappen, arrived home in

England on Thursday and in her first

public utterance complained that she

had not received a fair trial. Blaming "atrocious pretrial publicity," she called ou "the medical community" to clear her of any involvement in the

Grant that this is a very young wom-

an talking, one who has been through an ordeal, far from home. Grant, too,

that she has a right to maintain her

innocence. That granted, it would still

be a travesty to accept her valuation of

herself as the victim in this sad affair,

or to remember it as a tragedy that

befell her rather than the Eappen fam-

ily — not to mention the baby, whose

death a jury, a judge and an appeals

the British press's mixed reaction to

her return and in the muted behavior of

once fervid admirers in her home vil-

lage of Elton. In sharp contrast to their

champagne-cork-popping revelry

when the murder conviction was set

aside, they declined to turn out for her

return or to say anything too euthu-siastic to the press. "We've not for-gotten that a baby died," said the pro-

prietor of the bar where celebratory

Far from suffering unfairly, Miss

Woodward might plausibly be said to have received extraordinary leniency

footage was filmed last fall.

from the American courts.

That realization seemed reflected in

court all agreed she caused.

baby's death.

the remaining institutions that can make it with help. Then those banks can start lending again and, with the help of an aggressive package of gov-ernment spending and tax cuts, Japan's

have not yet begun. It is up to foreign officials to persuade Japanese officials to live up to their pledge, and to offer them all the assistance they need.

ively and quickly.

— THE NEW YORK TIMES.

The whole point is not for Iraq to see

News reports that Iraq and United how much it can get away with, he said; it has an affirmative obligation to reveal the location of all remaining weapons components and the docu-ments to prove what has been de-stroyed. Mr. Butler's road map showed that if Iraq cooperated, the whole process could be completed quickly.

Iraq seems to have fastened onto the

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"quickly" but oot the part about co-operation. Mr. Butler said Iraq agreed to provide information on some weapons but not on others. He encountered a stooe wall, for example, on the question of hiological weapons. But Iraq cannot be allowed to pick and choose its areas of cooperation.

The next Security Council review of Iraq's compliance, or lack thereof, is scheduled for October. Iraq will push hard to be declared in the clear, and some countries, more concerned with commercial prospects than with global safety or UN credibility, can be ex-

pected to offer support.

Much will be made of Iraqi civilians suffering as a result of sanctions. But their hardship results more from Saddam Hussein's refusal to take full advantage of UN humanitarian loopholes, not to mention his lavish spending on palaces, than from UN policy itself. And, as has been true. from the start, the sanctions could be lifted in no time if Saddam Hussein would just come clean.

second-degree murder, her lawyers

begged the judge to reverse the effects

of their own bold gamble of insisting

that the jury choose between that and

outright acquittal. When the judge

granted that request, he reduced the

conviction to manslanghter and, to na-

rional astonishment and no little attack,

assigned a sentence of 279 days, or time

served, well below the recommended minimum for the charge. Her luck field

through the appeal to the Massachu-

setts Supreme Judicial Court, which,

while upholding the conviction, de-clined to lengthen the sentence and

noted that the judge's error, in allowing

the lawyers' murder-or-nothing gam-

she has no intention of selling her

story. The Eappens, uonetheless, have

filed a probably unenforceable wrong-

ful death suit against her in Massachu-setts, saying they don't want her get-ting rich off their tragedy. Both her neighbors and her defense

lawyer, Barry Scheck, agree that she

should try to put the events of the past year behind her, "not obsess" and get

ou with her life. Launching a new

public relations campaign to reclaim her innocence will not do that — oot

for her, not for the Eappens or for the

millions whose fears and amhival-

ences about child care the trial brought

uppermost. Some expression of re-

sponsibility, even remorse, would be a

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

more graceful end to this sorry story.

Miss Woodward has insisted that

hit, should not harm the defendant.

Revive the Drive Against Nuclear Weapons Now

By David Andrews and Lena Hjelm-Wallen The writers are the Irish and Swedish foreign ministers.

S TOCKHOLM — After a decade of great promise in the field of nuclear disarmament and nonproliferation, the specter of nuclear weapons is again at the center of attention. The nuclear disarmament process now urgently

needs a new and forceful impetus. This is why we, together with the foreign ministers of Brazil, Egypt, Mexico, New Zealand, Slovenia and South Africa, have addressed ourselves in a joint ministerial declaration to the nuclear weapon states and to India, Israel and Pakistan.

The international community can no longer remain complacent at the reluctance of these states to make a clear commitment to the speedy, final and total elimination of their nuclear weapons and nuclear weapon capabil-ity. Our declaration urges them to make

that commitment now.
India and Pakistan must immediately put an end to their test explosions, which run counter to the will of the international community as expressed by the 149 signatories of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty. They must abandon their ouclear amhitions and accede unconditionally to this treaty and to the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty.

Likewise, Israel must relinquish its onclear weapon capability and accede to the nonproliferation treaty.

We must also avoid the danger of

any further state — or other actor crossing the nuclear threshold.

of the United Nations has entered into legally binding commitments not to receive, manufacture or otherwise acquire nuclear weapons. These under-

takings have been made in the context of corresponding, legally binding commitments by the nuclear weapon states to pursuit of nuclear disarmament. We are deeply concerned at the per-sistent reluctance of the nuclear wea-

As long as some states claim the right to nuclear weapons, there is a risk that others will also claim it.

pon states to approach their treaty obligations with an urgent commitment to the total elimination of their nuclear

Three endeavors must now be pursued simultaneously. First, there must be a strong rejection

of all ambitions to give renewed political and military importance to nuclear

Second, it is essential that the nuclear

The vast majority of the membership disarmament process continue with renewed purposefulness and that the nonproliferation regime be upheld.

Third, political pressure must be applied to achieve the goal of a nuclear weapon-free world. As long as those nations with the

greatest military strength claim the right to nuclear weapons for their own security, there is a great risk that other states will also claim this right. The possibility of preventing proliferation in the long term is therefore closely connected with the five nuclear weapon states fulfilling their commitment to ooclear disarmament, and showing true political will to attain the goal of the total elimination of these weapons. This demand was expressed by the

International Court of Justice in The Hague when it unanimously stated that there exists an obligation to pursue in good faith and bring to a conclusion negotiations leading to nuclear disarmament in all its aspects under strict and effective international cootrol.

Steps required to achieve a world free of nuclear weapons include the full resumption of the START process, for which urgeot ratification of START-2 is a prerequisite. The other three nuclear weapon states must also be ingrated into this process.

Measures are furthermore immedi-

ately required which would dramatically reduce the risk of accidental or unauthorized launches. The nuclear weapon states should therefore proceed. to de-alerting their nuclear arsenals and separating the warheads from their delivery vehicles:

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After the abolition of intermediate nuclear weapons a decade ago, it is time to eliminate tactical nuclear weapons.

The conclusion of an agreement prohibiting the production of fissile material for weapons purposes would provide vital support both to disarmament and to prevention of the spread of nuclear weapons capability.

In addition, states party to the nonproliferation treaty have a legitimate right to legally binding assurances that, in the interim until the total elimination of nuclear weapons, they will not be victims of the use, or subject to the threat of the use, of ouclear weapons.

Further nuclear weapon-free zones also have an important role to play in the process leading to the elimination of nuclear weapons.

The Indian and Pakistani tests starkly demonstrate that nuclear weapons are not yet a closed chapter. Such folly, however, could provide an opportunity for a real awakening, if the international community as a whole were to unite in single-minded determination to relegate these weapons to the dustbin of history. We invite all states to join us in this endeavor.

International Herald Tribune.

India Asks Why America Ignores It and Courts China

New Delhi expecting to hear all about how the Indian nuclear test was meant to cope with the Pakistani threat. What I heard instead was Indians from across the political spectrum insisting that their nuclear sound and light show on May 11 was actually meant to signal to America and China that India views their emerging "alliance" with great concern and will not

let these two powers carve up

Asia without regard to India. Even those Indian politicians who denounce their nuclear tests as a cheap, jingoistic maneuver by the new Hindu nationalist government will teli you that these tests were the only way for India to get what it wants most from the United

States and China — respect.

I finally realized the depth of this sentiment when I went to see a saffron-robed Indian human rights campaigner, Swami Agnivesh. Surely, I thought, he will disavow these tests. But no. sooner did we sit down on the floor of his simple Delhi house than he declared:

"We are India, the secondlargest country in the world. You can't just take us for granted. India doesn't feel threatened hy Pakistan, but in the whole international game India is being marginalized hy the China-U.S. axis."

As long as the Cold War was on, and the Soviets were in effect protecting India against China, India did not feel an urgency to develop its own ouclear weapons, notes Raja Mohan, strategic editor of the oewspaper The Hindu.

But the Soviet collapse, coupled with U.S. pressure oo India to sign the ComprehenBy Thomas L. Friedman

sive Test Ban Treaty and not go nuclear, and with the rise of China as an economic and military powerhouse, left the Indians feeling that they were on Said Mr. Mohan: "It was

clear that China had run ahead of us and they were being incorporated as the world's No. 2 power and that we were being told to stay in a small box, while the U.S. gave South Asia to When I asked Defense Min-

ister, George Fernandes, what he would say to President Bill Clinton about the Indian tests, he answered: "I would ask Bill Clinton why is it that you feel yourself so close to China and you can trust China with nuclear weapons and you can trust yourself with nuclear weapons and

you can trust Russia, France and Britain with nuclear weapons, but you cannot trust India?"

Mr. Fernandes added: "And now we have news that the U.S. and China, during President Clinton's visit, will work out arrangements so that their respective ouclear weapons will not be targeted on each other, So the U.S. and China are settling their nuclear problems, while we are obviously a nation that must not care for our own security coocerns."

Former Foreign Secretary
J. N. Dixit said: "Your govern-ment tolerates China no matter what it does. Whether it is nuclear weapons tests or abuse of human rights, your government says, 'No, we cannot spoil relations with China."

Former Prime Minister LK.

Gujral, a critic of the nuclear money is very difficult to make -A bomb is not." tests, elaborated: [Former U.S. Defense Secretary William] 'Perry went to Beijing and said

China should take more interest in South Asia. I asked myself: What is the purpose of making this statement? Is it a division of areas of influence? If you have decided that this side of Snez is an area of influence of China, what should an Indian policymaker do?"

No American president has visited India in 20 years, added Mr. Gujral, "but Clinton doesn't mind going to China. [What China does in] Tiananmen is all right, in Tibet is all right, in Taiwan is all right. Everything is all right, hut you ignore our security concerns because we are poor and a oonnuclear power. In your eyes either having a bomb or making money is what matters. Well,

China, explained an Indian

defense analyst, K. Subrahman yam, is the major rising power in the world, and when a major w power like China emerges, it needs to be counterbalanced. Russia balances China from the north, Japan and South Koreafrom the east, and now India is: doing it from the west and-ii. "It is like embedding.d. sooth. Germany in NATO," he con-cluded. "One day you will give:

us thanks for our nuclear test. "he Whether any of this makes we sense, frankly, I don't know."! But I do know this: These views ?? are widely shared here. Any.? U.S. policy that ignores them, or and just orders India to turn the: clock back and put its nuclear. genie back in the bottle, is not going to work.

Overrating China Is a Bad American Habit

By Gerald Segal

HONG KONG — Even be-fore President Bill Clinton flies to Xian on Thursday to talk with Chinese leaders, the thin air of summit diplomacy is producing dangerously giddy

thoughts.

The most pernicious is that China has joined the top rank of international financial powers and deserves a seat alongside the Group of Seven leading nations because it forced the United States to press Japan to reform its economy and helped drive up the value of the yen.

It is belpful that China has not devalued its currency during Asia's current economic crisis, but the notion that China competence and concern for

is a "regional stabilizer" and a Hong Koog's welfare than that leading economic power is little short of absurd.

China has not devalued its currency because of what until now has been a clear calculation of self-interest. Its export industries are highly dependent on imported components and devaluation would have been of limited value.

Chinese devaluation would have put immediate pressure on Hong Kong to break the peg of the Hong Kong dollar to the U.S. dollar, thereby seeming to demoustrate less economic shown hy the previous British colonial administration.

It is also important to recall that China's devaluation in 1995 was an important cause of East Asia's crisis in 1997. So much for China as a selfless regional stabilizer.

If China does devalue in due course, it will do so because of fundamental flaws in China's economy, not because Japan has failed to tackle its domestic problems. China's economy was slowing well before the Asian economic crisis and while the yen was far higher. This was the result of a failure of political will in China to address such problems as a hanking system that is so deeply mired in bad deht that it makes Japan's banking sector look ro-

hust by comparison. China continues to waste about 3 percent of its GDP bailing out rust-belt industries and incompetently run factories in the-state owned sector.

Japan makes a convenient scapegoat for China's reformminded Prime Minister Zhu Rongji, who is struggling to keep his reforms on track. What is gue that China deserves to be rewarded for its leadership role. It is all the more remarkable

when one contemplates how inconsequential China is as an

percent of the exports of Westem countries go to China, and China's economy is about the size of Spain's. Should Spain T become a G-7 member? China is a negligible donor:

of foreign aid, while Japan is to No.1. China's contribution to a the bailout of Asian currencies m is less than 10 percent of Ja- a pan's. China is the largest recipient of foreign direct invest- n ment in the developing world;" but 80 percent of that is from : ethnic Chinese living and work- in ing outside China, mainly in other parts of Asia. Western investment in China is less than in --Brazil. Should Brazil become a ... G-7 member?

There is a long and grand : Western tradition of overestimating the importance of China President Clintoo will be keeping good historical company when he comes to the Chinese court and tells the Chinese bow important they are.

Massaging the ego of your host might be gracious, but it risks upsetting your real allies in Japan, and might even lead to preemptive concessions to a second-rate Chinese power.

The writer is director of studies at the International Institute for Strategic Studies in London and director of Britain's Pacific: Asia Programme. He contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

wealth, in the new Russia. It circles central Moscow. Once remarkable is how many people will be some time before the a cheerless place with a few take excuses for reality, and ar-

1898: Tragic Launch

LONDON — At the launch of H.M.S. Alhion at the Thames Iron Works yesterday [June 21], rejoicing was turned into mourning hy the loss of about sixty lives. A large staging under the Japanese cruiser in course of construction, on which a crowd of about 300 persons had taken their station to see the launch, had given way, and all were struggling frantically in the water. Unfortunately the catastrophe could not be seen from the Royal stand and at the time the people were struggling in the water for their lives, the distinguished company were in the act of giving three hearty cheers

to celebrate what was regarded

as a most successful launch. The

Royal party left quite unaware of the terrible calamity.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO the hottest June 20 in New York: in twenty years, the temperafures reaching 97deg. Fahr. Five deaths due to heat were reported in New York and 26' from New England and the Eastern and Middle Western States, all of which are suffering, from the heat wave. Hundreds have been overcome by the heat and no relief is in sight.

1948: Nazi Gold FRANKFURT - A total of

\$60,000,000 worth of Nazilooted gold was on its way to England today [June 21]. The hullion and coins will be given Constitution of the second of back to Marshall plan countries from which it was stolen by the Nazis. Weighing almost 150,000 pounds, the gold is being shipped in twenty-two airplane flights m London, whence it will be redistributed. The gold, rounded up from Nazi hoards after the war, has been.

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It's Nice to Be Back in Moscow

MOSCOW — The warmth and lingering daylight of a Moscow summer could make even the harshest periods of Soviet rule seem less demented. The appearance of flowers and fresh fruits and vegetables in barren markets temporarily lifted the city's spirits, creating the illusion that this was just another European capital marking time until the August holidays.

Now it is no longer an illusiou. Moscow may not be Paris or Rome, but it is no louger a world apart. The differences of dress, demeanor and politics that made Moscow so distinctively depress-

ing have melted away. From its monumental traffic jams to its supermarkets, boutiques and elegant restaurants. Moscow is a hig. bustling, brash metropolis exploding with energy and entrepreneurial activity.

To see the city again after an absence of three years, and to compare it with the Soviet citadel of 10 years ago where I worked as a correspondent, is to appreciate anew how far Russia has traveled since the demise of communism. The economy is shaky, cor-

ruption is ubiquitous and/the power of the wealthiest bankers and businessmen remains largely uncheckéd, but these and other deformities should not overshadow the political and economic changes that have transformed Russia in just a few years.

1917 Bolshevik Revolution

By Philip Taubman

lation, the arrival of democracy and capitalism has set it free and tied it to the West, culturally and economically. Moscow is the epicenter of change, and the locus of

rest of the country, including St. Petersburg, comes anywhere close to matching the standard of living now eujoyed by many Muscovites. One of the best seats for

observing the new Russia is on the terrace outside the cavemous McDonald's at Pushkin Square. The covelty of Big Macs has faded, but the restaurant still has cachet with Russians and serves as a mecca for affluent young Muscovites.

They arrive in Jeep Cherokees and Toyota Land Cruisers, cell phones in hand. The men are dressed nattily in light-weight pleated trousers. colorful sport shirts and tasseled loafers. The women wear short skirts, tight tops and stylish Italian shoes. The scene seems almost unimaginable to someone who lived

here a decade ago. The McDonald's also attracts working-class customers who have become indistinguishable in appearance from their counterparts in London or New York. The has almost entirely vanished. Almost as swiftly as the replaced by jeans, colorful outfits and Nike or Reebok sealed Russia in hermetic iso- shoes. Even eyeglasses and

sunglasses are sleek. After decades of enforced conformity in everything from clothing to politics, Russians have seized the chance to assert their in-

dividuality.

Across from the McDonald's is a small plaza that is part of the boulevard that scruffy benches and an expanse of dirt, it is now the site of a leafy beer garden where people congregate after work, engaging in easy conversation as the daylight stretches far

into the evening.

The talk is of business and politics, romance and vacation plans. The fear that once permeated Moscow and made it so inhospitable to such gatherings is gone.
The press is full of lively

debate and invective; the television news is a cascade of irreverent reports. Even more remarkable is the Internet, where information of all kinds is available about the government and the economy. Where implacable customs

ageuts once enforced censorship at Sheremetyevo airport, there is now an unobstructed "green channel" for passengers with nothing to declare. The new Russia is an un-

finished work. It is a land that favors the young and those unbroken by communism and has little patience or compas-sion for those unable to adapt. nondescript Soviet wardrobe But Moscow, at least, is increasingly a city where people can enjoy life. Considering its history, that is no mean feat.

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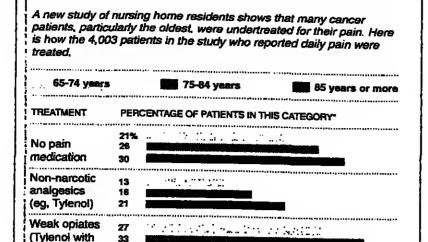
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Elderly in Nursing Homes Often Receive No Pain Relief



By Sheryl Gay Stolberg
New York Times Service

ASHINGTON -- Researchers studying elderly cancer patients in nursing homes have found that many are severely undertreated for pain and more than a quarter of those who complain of pain, especially hlacks and the oldest of the old, are given no pain medication, even aspirin.

The study is all the more troubling,

experts say, because as hospital stays grow shorter and the elderly population increases, more and more old people with cancer are living out the end of their lives in nursing homes. The research involved 13,625 cancer

patients in five states. It found that patients older than 85 were about half as likely to be treated for pain as those between the ages of 65 and 74, and that hlacks were half as likely as whites to receive pain medication.

"At some point, oursing home staff and in-house doctors may give up on patients who they know are going to die," said Dr. Giovanni Gambassi, a main author of the study in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

"There is no acceptable excuse for not treating pain appropriately in terminally ill patients."

most nursing home workers are poorly trained to recognize pain.
Whatever the reason, Dr. Foley and

A spokesman for the American Nursing Home Association, which represents 11,000 nursing homes across the United States, said the study raises "legitimate issues that bear close scrutiny." But the spokesman, Tom Burke, also complained that oursing homes were being unfairly singled out, saying the problem of undertreatment of pain cuts across all areas of medicine. "I'd be hard-pressed to think a nursing home would do better than an oncology ward," he said.

Experts do not fully understand why the very old and minorities are more vulnerable to having their pain left untreated, but several theories are circulating, said Dr. Kathleeo Foley, chief of the pain and palliative care service at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York City. One is that outright prejudice is at work, particularly in the case of minorities.

Another, she said, is that these pa-tients "are used to being in pain and suffering and therefore don't complain about it." A third is that they don't want to be impaired by the side effects of medication. In addition, experts say that

Whatever the reason, Dr. Foley and other experts in end-of-life care have long complained that their colleagues underestimate and undertreat pain and that patients' quality of life could be vastly improved if doctors paid attenoon to this problem.

In recent years, paoents themselves have taken up the cause; fear of dying a protacted, painful death has fueled the movement to legalize assisted suicide, which in turn has brought the issue of pain management, also called palliative care, out of the medical fraternity and into the national spotlight.

UT while the lack of attention to pain has been well-documented in a variety of medical settings, including bospital oocology wards, only a few small studies have examined the problem in the nation's nursing homes. That is why the new study, conducted hy an in-ternational team of Italian, Briosh and American scientists, is so important, Dr. Foley said.

'This is new information, original information," she said. "It is, for the

first time, defining the epidemi-ology and the ethnography of pain in the elderly population." There are 19,000 nursing homes in

the United States, and experts who study life inside them say they are particularly ill-equipped to care for pa-tients in pain. Many nursing home pa-lients, particularly the very elderly, are demented and unable to tell those responsible for them how they feel. As a result, nurses and nurse's aides must rely on other indicators like moaning. writhing and crying in determine when a pacent is pain.

'In the oursing home, there is not a lot nf knowledge about how in manage pain," said Dr. Mathy Mezey, a ge-rontologist and professor of nursing at New York University. "Most of the staff has not been prepared in good palliative care, and that is both the nursing home staff and the primary care physicians who are managing the residents.

For their study, Dr. Gambassi and his colleagues examined patient evaluations collected by the Federal Health Care Financing Administration from 1.492 nursing homes in New York, Kansas. Maine, Mississippi and South Dakots from 1992 to 1995.

The Elusive Springs of Chiusi Scholars May Have Found a Famed Roman Spa

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By John Noble Wilford New York Times Service

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EW YORK — Great as he loomed in the heyday of Rome, the Emperor Angustus was frail of body and suffered a lifetime of infirmities. In 23 B.C., a cootemporary account says, he almost died of "an abscessed liver" and presumably would have if oot for the restorative power of cold baths in mineral springs. Word of the emperor's cure touched off one of antiquity's more enduring health fads.

Cold mineral baths became popular amoog Romans for at least two centuries. People abandoned the hot springs of Baiae, near Pompeii, and flocked to the cold-water resorts of Gabii, oear Rome, or Chiusi, in the Siena district of Tuscany. From personal experience, the poet Horace sang the praises of a bra-cing dip in cold mineral water for curing illnesses of the head and stomach:

: For Antonius Musa makes Baiae Useless to me and even makes me unpopular there, Now that of mid-winter I soak

in icy water. The vogue of cold bathing made Antonius Musa, the emperoris personal physician, a rich and famous man. For the last 100 years, archaeologists and classics scholars have been trying to Find the springs of Chiusi, where Horace and perhaps Augustus took the waters. A team of archaeologists, led by David Soren of the University of Arizona in Tucson, may have succeeded.

Digging in Tuscany, the archaeologists have tapped into a bubbling spring of cold mineral water and excavated the ruins of bathhouse columns and an enormous tile-paved swimming pool. All this is in the right place and seems to fit Horace's description of the ancient Roman spa. But confirmation may prove impossible, other archaeologists said, short of uncovering an inscription saying that Augustus or Horace bathed here.

'We are either looking at the famous spring of Chiusi, or at the very least at one of a series of springs that made this area famous in antiquity," Dr. Soren said in a interview before returning to Italy for further excavations.

The style of the wall construction, he said, is consistent with other Roman monuments of the second and first centuries B.C. Pottery scattered in the ruins is also of the same period. The structures may thus be old enough to have been in use during the reign of Augustus. And the huilding at the center of the site resembles the icons used to represent spas on early Roman road maps. In any event, the large size of the site shows that it was a major spa complex unlike anything else ever found in the Siena region and one of the largest anywhere in Italy, Frank Romer, a classics professor at Arizona, said the excavations 'should reveal something about Roman medicine and Roman fads at the time everybody started taking cold baths."

The discovery was made near the modern Tuscan resort of Chianciano Terme, which already boasts three coldwater springs that account for the town's promotional motto, "It's Chi-anciano for a healthy liver." Bot oo ruins that could be associated with an ancient spa had been uncovered until 1993. It was then that Ginlio Paolucci, an Italian archaeologist, excavated the first evidence of late Etruscan and early Roman Imperial structures.

R. SOREN joined the project three years ago, working with local museums and Tuscany's Department of Antiquities. Excavations revealed the outlines of a swimming pool estimated to have been as large as 60 by 130 feet. Its bottom. paved with roof tiles, was never more than three feet deep, enough for bathers to immerse their bodies but inadequate for most swimming. Such dimensions conform to Horace's descriptions.

The pool tiles have caused some confusion among archaeologists. Some bear stamps attributed to the second century A.D. Was the pool built then, well after the other buildings, or was that when it was remodeled? No one is sure.

From the ruins, archaeologists have determined that imposing brick columns bordered walkways surrounding the pool. At the middle of the west side. a podium jutted out over the pool, probahly serving as a base for a statue devoted to the gods of bathing.

While excavating other huildings, workers removed mud near a small temple and out flowed a spring of cold water from the hillside. "This was the amazing thing for ns," Dr. Soren said. "The spring was still there, and the water just started shooting out."

Analyzing the water, Janek Artiola, an environmental scientist at Arizona, found it full of calcium and sulfates - not recommended for drinking. Too much of the calcium could lead to kidney stones. Even a little of the sulfate would have a strong purgative or laxative effect.

Horace was apparently wise enough not to drink the water. He suffered from inflammatioo of the eyes and may have daubed them with the water. Classicists, Dr. Soreo said, are food of an outrageous pun: "Yoo can lead a Horace to water but you can't make him drink."

Within walking distance of the oewly discovered spa, excavations directed by Anna Rastrelli, head of the Chiusi Museum, have turned up remains of an Etruscan temple in use during the third and second centuries B.C. Some of the newly assembled pieces of terra-cotta

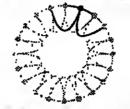
buried in a deliberate manner. Fragments of the temple's stone columns and traces of its wooden roof beams were also uncovered, as well as coins, some dated to 200 B.C. One of the most impressive finds, she

said, was the sculpture of a winged woman, who appears to be about to fly off while looking back and holding a drinking vessel in her left hand. Art historians see in the winged figure a strong similarity to some feminine divinities on the frieze of the great altar of Pergamum in what is now Turkey. Other pieces indicated that the temple was dedicated to Hercules, the Etruscan patron of healthful waters, and the nymphs of the adjacent spring. "In this Tuscan land of springs, a temple dedicated to the water gods of the area would be appropriate," Dr. Rastrelli said. "For then, as now, the curative properties of water held a special meaning.

Separation, by Various Degrees

The smallness of a world or network can be expressed mathematically by the number of steps it takes to get from one element of It to any other. This depends on the degree of regularity of a network's interconnections.

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requires several Intermediary links.

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SMALL-WORLD NETWORK



Each point has an extra connection to a more distant point, minimizing the numbar of links needed to reach across the network.

INCREASING PANDOMETS RANDOM NETWORK



Each point has an extra connection to a more distant point, minimizing the number of links needed to reach across that network. But the network is too chaotic to produce small-world affects.

It's a Small World: The Proof

By Sandra Blakeslee

EW YORK - Mathemsculpture, she said, are among most stunning finds of Euroscan sculpture in rectan memory.

At some time after the temple was small worlds, a phenomenoo summed up in the popular belief that anyone on Farth can be linked to anyone else by a chain of only six other people — the socalled six degrees of separation.

Any large set of linked, dynamic components — be they people, electric power stations, brain cells, whatever - can be transformed into a small world, the mathematicians said, by introdocing short cuts between a few components. Relatively few short cuts can make hig changes in a network, linking clusters of people, power sta-tions or brain cells together in unexpected ways.

Among people, the short cuts are well-connected individuals — those who know many people from other countries, different disciplines or unusual subcultures. Such highly connected people establish surprising interconnections between groups that seem impossibly distant from one another, like Iowa farmers and Kalahari bushmen. For example, sometimes a farmer's son will join the Peace Corps in Africa and thus unexpected links are born.

This kind of interconnectedness is familiar to social animals like humans hut oow, for the first time, mathematicians have quantified it in a general model. The finding, which is the first mathematical explanation of the small world phenomenon in dynamical systems, was reported in the journal Nature. The mathematical experiments were done by Steven Strogatz, a mathematician at Cornell University, and Duncan Watts, a postdoctoral fellow in the social sciences at Columbia University.

effects," said James Collins, a mathmathematics commonity had oot explored these octworks in terms of self- not cormally be connected." organizing systems."

Soch systems include social networks, technologies like the Internet and electric power grids, and life in general — the fact that a sperm can penetrate an egg and set into play a series of biological processes that give rise to complex creatures from mere specks of protoplasm.

The finding that short cuts make all the difference explains why total strangers can quickly determine that they have acquaintances in common, why epidemics spread so rapidly in the modern world and may be useful in improving communication systems like cellnlar telephones and the Internet.

"There's a unifying mechanism in nature that makes things small and interconnected," Dr. Strogatz said.

But could it be modeled mathematically? To find out, the researchers focused attention oo two extreme types of networks. One is a simple geometric lattice in the shape of a ring, with each node connected locally to its neighbors. Like a pure crystal, this lattice is highly ordered. The distance from one node to the oext is characteristically long, and nodes tend to cluster tightly in neighborhoods.

The second model is a ringed lattice with the nodes connected randomly. The distance from one node to the next is characteristically shorter, but because everything is connected helter-skelter, there is very little order and oodes do not fall into common clusters.

Most hinlogical, technological and

"They have made a great cootri- social octworks lie between these two hution to understanding small world extremes of ordered versus random coooections. "We asked, what would hapcmarician at the Center for Biodynam-ics at Bostoo University. "The phe-omenon has been mostly studied by short cuts?" Dr. Watts said. "Yon'd be sociologists and psychologists, but the making a regular network slightly more of random by connecting nodes that would

For example, in a regular octwork each oode is connected only to its immediate neighbors - like people in a rural village who rarely leave home and know only the people next door. But if one of those villagers travels to the big city, adding one distant link to all the close links at home, the village is conoccted to the wider world.

The results were astonishing, Dr. Watts said. The properties of the lattice change dramatically. It still forms clusters, but the pathways between clusters are much shorter. Immediate neighborhoods and more distant neighborhoods are suddenly closer together. Information spreads more quickly. Each node has access to more information and can do more things. In being coonected to more neighbors, nodes begin to cooperate and synchronize.

HE huge surprise is that it takes very few short cuts between nodes and clusters to turn a hig world into a small world. Dr. Watts said. After a point, adding more short cuts dues not improve network efficiency.

For example, if you knew Secretary of State Madeline Albright, you would be connected to everyone she knows, including kings and queens. But even if you are not her friend, you may be connected to her indirectly. Perhaps your neighbor's daughter-in-law was Albright's college roommate. If so, you would be connected to the Queen of England by three degrees of separation.

LANGUAGE

Empowering Is Out, Enabling Is In

By William Safire

ASHINGTON — "Tobacco is an addiction which should not Mike Harman of West Virginia. "Enabling Bad Behavior" was the

headline over the letter to The New York Times from another reader, William Frago of Illinois, who objected to a leading feminist's vigorous defense of President Bill Clinton: "I am afraid that Gloria Steinem has become an enabler to the very behavior the women's movement once sought to punish." Especially in its noun form, enabler,

this word has made a quantum jump

from here to villain. positive sense: Pastor Thomas Kilgore of the Second Baptist Church of Los Angeles says his task is 'to be an life." But many are substituting facilitator for that positive sense of "helper" and are using enabler to

mean "one who by ignoring, appeasing or condoning makes possible the cootinuance of wrongdoing." This sense has its origin in the group therapy that is oow called the recovery movement. Bill Pittman of Alcoholics Anonymous, co-author of the 1989 "AA, the Way It Began," says that its of 10,000 geeks?" The story had to do use of "the word enabling first appeared in Al-Anon literature in the ciation's ads to attract technical work-"There are many occasions when we

people."
Wendy Karriner, author of 'Tm

Though a lexicographer woold disagree (a dictator can be empowered to invade a neighbor and a surgeon enabled to save a life), usagists understand that latest connotation.

I tried the word on an Internet search engine and triggered this response. "I play in the Enablers, the Dallas band with the Weh site you visited," writes Bart Chaney from Texas. "I had the Some people still use the word in its noun in mind from the world of therapy. There was some irony here, but it was not meant darkly. Some addictions - one to cool music in a dark room, for enabler to the people who are farthest example - are oot all that bad." The down and getting the hitter end of musician added, 'Hey, if you mentioned us, that would be a thrill." Having just adjusted to the change from "writer" to "content provider,"

here am I, a thrill-enabler.

Under a bucolic photo of a farm in Minnesota, a state that likes to think of itself as the land of 10,000 lakes, Newsweek ran this caption: "The land

makes it easier for another to pursue an far from its roots. "He is a foole, a sotte, addiction, one complicit in bad behavior—like the wife of an alcoholic helping him hide the bottles from the kids: "She says: "The word enable hounce a simpleton. Shakespeare be enabled by public funds," writes can be contrasted with the word em- chimed in twice, first in "Twelfth power. You empower a person to do something good, and you enable someone to do something bad."

Night' about 'the most notorious gecke and gull' and later in 'Cymbeline' as a ghost denounces a rogue who made Posthumus "the geeck and scorn o' th' other's villainy.

The old synonym for ''fool'' took a sinister turn in American carnival slang to describe a "wild man" in a sideshow whose revolting act often in-cluded biting the head off a live snake or chicken. Despite this specialized sense, and notwithstanding World War Il military use in the form of gook as a slur at Asians, the word continued to have a central sense of "fool." In '80s slang it became a generalized term of contempt, like dork (perhaps from the cutting-edge dirk influenced by a nick-name) and the too-studious student grind or nerd (probably from the earlier 'nerts to you,' based on nuts).

How, then, did the derogatory geek

become the self-description of choice for hackers and computer techno-

It all began when bad, pronounced b-a-a-a-d, became synonymous with "good — really good." The inversion of meaning swept through groups eager to "out" their unpopularity, much as queer was adopted by homosexuals to challenge their stereotyping by others.

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early '60s.' A 1965 book reads: ers from California's Silicon Valley. Hence, the term geek - the "fool" In the same way, The Daily Okall engage in enabling destructive or lahoman wrote about Vice President Al from five centuries back, later disinappropriate behavior in other Gore as one who 'dreams not of carnal dained in circuses as the lowest of the low - has become the badge worn conquests but of technological breakproudly by the virtuosos of the Virtual throughs" and is thus "the nation's Dysfunctional, You're Dysfunction- No. 1 geek." This word's meaning has wandered al," defines enabler as "someone who New York Times Service

By Philip Shenon and David Johnston New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - The U.S. government's investigation of a terrorist bombing in 1996 that killed 19 U.S. airmen in Saudi Arabia has collapsed over disagreements with the Saudis, and Clinton administration officials now say that they may never be able to determine who carried out the attack.

In frustration, the FBI director, Louis investigators at the scene of the bombing at the Khobar Towers apartment complex in eastern Saudi Arabia, leaving area.

By Erik Eckholm

BELIING - China is not ready to

make the economic changes necessary

to join the World Trade Organization,

the top U.S. trade negotiator said bere

after two days of talks with Chinese

officials, casting ice water on any linger-

ing hopes that a trade breakthrough

might be announced during President

yet ready to walk the walk," said Char-lene Barshefsky, the U.S. trade repre-

sentative, adding Saturday that China

had made too few of the concessions to

open its markets to outsiders that West-

ern countries demand as a condition of

entry into the 132-nation organization

China, which has been trying to enter the organization for 11 years, has been

defensive about the membership issue, describing the opposition to its entry as

Iran Disunity:

Ousted Official

Gets a New Post

TEHRAN - Interior Minister Ab-

in Parliament, was named Sunday by

The appointment requires no approval hy the hostile Parliament, which ousted

Mr. Nouri joins seven other vice pres-

idents in Mr. Khatami's government -

the president underlined his "compet-

ence and capability" although the po-

sition does not carry as much weight as a

Mr. Khatami appointed Mr. Nouri's deputy, Mostafa Tadj-Zadeh, as acting

interior minister. The constitution gives

the Iranian president three mnnths to

name a permanent replacement for an

Mr. Nnuri's nuster from the Interior

Ministry is the most serious blow to the

moderate president's government since

The conservative-dominated Majlis voted, 137 to 117, with 11 abstentions, to

fire Mr. Nouri, saying what it called an

unacceptable rise in social and political

tensions was caused by his modest re-

Mr. Nutri's critics took the rostrum

before the vote to criticize him for al-

lowing public rallies by opposition stu-

dent groups, replacing old-line officials

at the Interior Ministry and taking sides

in increasingly public discord between

Independent analysts said the depu-

tics might have been motivated in part by

the fear that Mr. Nouri could use his

position to influence the outcome of

parliamentary elections, due in March

central city of Isfahan, defended his year

issues such as this," he told the Majlis

He continued: "Whoever the interior

minister may be, be must continue the

path of 'political development,' " using

a term coined by President Khatami to

encompass a degree of political and so-

cial reform within the country's Islamic

Mr. Nouri, an eloquent cleric from the

Be sure that the government is so powerful that it will not be weakened by

2000, putting their own seats at risk.

Mr. Nouri earlier in the day.

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its formation last August.

that sets the rules for world trade.

'There's a lot of talk, but China is not

Bill Clinton's state visit.

behind only a single agent as a legal attaché and liaison to the Saudis. The Justice and Defense Departments

have vowed that they will not close the books on the investigation, which began two years ago after a fuel truck packed with tons of explosives detonated outside the apartment complex. About 500 people were wounded in the hlast.

But the Clinton administration's insistence that it remains committed to the case is at odds with other signs that the investigation has dissolved into a Freeh, has quietly pulled out dozens of muddle of inconclusive evidence and illfeeling between the United States and Saudi Arabia, its closest ally in the Gulf

unfair and politically motivated. But now that the country is in the midst of a

politically risky revamping of state en-terprises, which bas raised unemploy-

ment, coupled with the fact that it is also

facing the Asian financial crisis, some

senior leaders may in private be relieved

at the prospect of putting off WTO mem-

bership and its potentially painful ob-

"The Chinese government bas not yet decided whether WTO accession is

compatible with its domestic agenda,

Ms. Barshefsky said. "I don't believe the leaders are confident that it would leave them flexibility in the way they

In return for minimizing trade bar-riers, members of the trade organization

enjoy better access tn the markets of

other members, which include all the

developed Western nations, Japan and

and the United States, which has taken

the lead amning Western nations in part because its own trade deficit with China

is buge, have been crawling at best for

some time, and diplomats have recently

played down expectations for progress during the coming summit meeting,

Thrugh membership in the global trade body has been a political goal of China's leaders, in recent months it has

become clear that enthusiasm for acces-

sion has been far from universal. Some

ministries and industries in what remains

have worried about the rapid opening of

positions of state-run commodity traders

as well as banks, insurance companies

The major areas of dispute, in addition

to high tariffs on many imported goods.

include restrictions on agricultural im-

industries as financial services, account-

tions, American officials say.

Over time, there is a "positive tra-

jectory" in the talks, Ms. Barshefsky said,

China has granted the parents of an exiled Chinese dissident, Wang Dan, a

passport to travel to the United States to

risit their son, Reuters reported Sunday

It was not immediately clear whether

from Beijing, qunting Mr. Wang's

but the progress is "slow and uneven."

■ Dissident's Parents Aided

Trade negotiations between China

pursue internal reforms.

many developing nations.

which begins this week.

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dollah Nouri, ousted after a censure vote a largely state-run, hureaucratic economy

President Mohammed Khatami as vice ailing domestic industries to foreign com-

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there is no current vice president for ports and on the ability of outside development and social affairs for him to companies to gain a foothold in such

In his decree appointing Mr. Nouri, ing. tourism, law and telecommunica-

U.S. Calls China Unwilling

To Change for WTO Entry

plicated the investigation, since the United States and Saudi Arabia have recently sought to improve relations with a new, relatively moderate govemment in Tehran.

There is no indication that the White House, the State Department or intelligence agencies have directed the FBI to back off the case, but the prospect of improved relations may have made it less likely that broad assertions of Iran's role in the bombing would be accepted without concrete evidence.

As the case languishes, families of the American victims are, for the first time,

the case is not being pursued aggressively because of U.S. fears of offending mation on the bombing. Saudi Arabia, a principal oil supplier to the United States.

The case offers a bitter, if revealing, lesson in the limits of law enforcement in the post-Cold War world, in which the United States has asserted its authority to operate overseas to combat terrorism. drug trafficking and organized crime.

What may have been the FBI's best hope of cracking the case - the arrest of a Saudi dissident opposed to the royal family who initially suggested that he

mony, insisting that he had no infor-

The Saudi, Hani Abdel Rahim Sayegh, is now in the custody of the Immigration and Naturalization Service at an undisclosed location, awaiting deportation to Saudi Arabia, where he is likely to be beheaded. Even if he reversed himself again and agreed to testinow so tainted that his account might be of little use.

U.S. officials acknowledge that the Federal Bureau of Investigation is stywas invulved in the attack - evaporated mied. They say there is no reason to

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Attorney General Janet Reno and Min
Freeh have publicly criticized the Sandis for a lack of cooperation.

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Federal officials say the Saudis have refused to allow them to interrogate dozens of suspects arrested by the Sandi and to review critical evidence. It feet months, they said, for the Saudis to agree fy, U.S. officials say, his credibility is to allow the FBI to inspect the getaway car used by the terrorists. r used by the terronsts.

The Saudi Embassy in Washington

said it had no comment on the inve tigation, but American business exec utives and others close to the Sand government said that the Sandis were equally frustrated by the FBL

They said the Sandis described the bureau as high-handed in its dealings with the kingdom and reluctant to accept the validity of evidence gathered by the Saudis suggesting that the attack was carried out by Saudi dissidents with the help of Iran. The evidence, they said, included videotapes of confessions by some of the suspects and wiretaps of their conversations with other terrorists

People close to the Saudi government said that the FBI was bypocritical in its complaints about a lack of Saudi coll operation since the bureau had refused to share much of its intelligence informal tion with the Saudi Interior Ministry, its counterpart in the investigation.

While U.S. officials do not deny that

the Saudi government's theory about an Iranian tie may be correct, they say that the evidence that the Saudis have shared with them has been inconclusive and would be of little value in a U.S. court.
Mr. Freeb once described the Saudi evidence as little more than "hearsay."

While the Defense Department insist that it is closely monitoring the FBI investigation, it insists that it cannot interfere in the work of criminal in

"We've been very clear from the be-ginning: This is the FBI's job," said Ken Bacon, the Pentagon's chief spokesman "We don't ask the FBI to fly F-16s over Iraq and they don't ask us to take over their investigations."

Defense Department officials ac knowledge that during a visit to Saudi Arabia in February to consult about a proposed military strike on Iraq, Defense Secretary William Cohen did not request - and did not receive - 3 briefing from the Sandis on the status of the Khobar Towers investigation.

U.S. and Saudi investigators have attempted to maintain a facade of mutuat assistance, with periodic pledges of coll operation and occasional discussions of the case. But Clinton administration of ficials say that whatever substantive cooperation did exist between the FBI and its counterpart in Saudi Arabia is largely Election of the State of the W

Border policemen struggling Sunday with a Israeli demonstrator opposed to plans to expand Jerusalem.

JERUSALEM: Israeli Cabinet Approves Expansion of City

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United States, but from residents of the Israeli towns slated for annexation, especially Mevasseret Zion.

Some of the residents of these towns are people who moved out of Jerusalem to escape the spread of its ultrareligious neighborhoods, and who are against coming under Jerusalem's control. The residents tried to block the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv highway, leading to scuffles with police in which eight people were arrested.

Bnt despite Mr. Netanyahu's insistence that the American criticism was based on lack of understanding, Sec-retary of State Madeleine Albright after the summer. maintained Sunday on a U.S. television talk show that "anything that is done at this point on something that is a final status issue cannot really be helpful beyond the Green Line, which were when we are in a period, I would just though the Carbon Status is sue cannot really be helpful beyond the Green Line, which were conquered from Jordan in 1967, the 2020.

tell you, in terms of very intensive and authority of the "umbrella municipalconstructive dialogue.

The United States has been negonating with Israel for many mooths now on a further Israeli withdrawal in the West Bank which would enable the long-stalled negotiations with Palestinians to enter into a final phase. The future of Jerusalem is one of the central issues to be resolved.

The cabinet decision set guidelines and created a committee of experts to prepare concrete recommendations on the structure of the "umbrella municipality," as well as the exact list of localities to be annexed.

The committee was to report back

Though the cabinet decision Sunday

ity" was expected to reach several large and small Jewish neighborhoods. One major concern addressed by the expansion plan was the fact that Jerusalem has been losing secular and prosperous middle-class residents in recent years because of the rapid growth of the relatively poor ultra-Orthodox population in the city. Another concern was that the Palestinian population in Jerusalem has been growing at a greater rate than the Jewish populatinn.

Israeli government planners ac-knowledged in the proposals that one majnr goal was that "the relative size of the Jewish and non-Jewish populations in the city should be main-tained." Specifically, the report said

WILLIAM: The Prince of Hearts Turns 16, Becoming the New Icon of the Royal Family 🕏

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has taken on the ultimate status of the Media Age: His image makes a "selling cover." The current issue has nine glossy pages devoted to him. How can the royal family - and a

fascinated hut fearful public - prevent the fledgling prince from being engulfed by the same media attention that swamped Diana? Especially since William has already shown his distaste for and distrust of the press.

The handling of the landmark hirthday is a hint of how the palace is trying in modernize its approach. Instead of a reticence is unlikely to last. The media is the move was intended as a goodwill lofty communique from a remote too competitive and the worldwide pub-gesture ahead of Mr. Clinton's visit.

life and record of achievements.

also lodged an official complaint against a newspaper complaining of a "grossly intrusive and inaccurate" report of the kind his mother most deploted. Read saccharine speculation about putative girl friends and unsourced information about his private life.

Although the press has left William alone at Eton, his august private school, and published little comment on the Press Association interview, this onble pet Labrador called Widgeon and "his

At the heart of the problem -- and of William's current discomfort - is the danger," he says. fact that Western society recognizes 16 as the age of sexual being. The Prince of Hearts is a title that suggests not just a caring nature but that William is both eligible and nubile. And every photograph proves that he has inherited from his mother the allure that marks him out from the dull and dutiful Windsnrs.

For Mr. Lacey, William has the charisma spiced with risk that was the es-

courtier, William actively cooperated in lic appetite too voracious to be content sence of Diana and some of the toyal providing information about his current for long with crumhs about William's family's more colorful forbears. "What he has speaks of an intense royal family, which Diana satisfied -:

and with it goes an incredible element of Th Mr. Lacey, William's sun-gold glamour can be compared to a former Prince of Wales — his great-great-uncle, who became Edward VIII and after his abdication, Duke of Windsor. "Whereas Charles bas always been slightly out of step or 'tone deaf,' Wil-

liam fits into a much grander tradition of 'sparkling Princes of Wales,' " Mr. Lacey said. "And all of them bave had the same problems: What happens when they hit the flesh pots?"

The immediate plan is for William to be kept nut of trouble as be continues his studies at Eton College, where his 13year-old brother, Harry, will join him in the autumn. Whereas Charles was pushed by a forceful father to be an 'action man' and deny his contemplative nature, William has his father's support in focusing further studies on history of art, as well as geography and

binlogy.
The school is conveniently placed for him to take tea with granny at neigh-boring Windsor Castle. But according to Hugo Vickers, a royal historian, Willian is unlikely in jnin in a royal ceremonial or take up even minimal royal duties until he turns 18 — the legal age when be could be king without a regency. Charles will also spare his son the agony of enhances and the faced when invested

William said in the interview that he wanted a college education to fullow. Althnugh Ms. Seward said Diana told her that she would have liked William to gn tn Harvard, Mr. Vickers said that at an American or Canadian college, William might be even more "vulnerable to hysteria," cining the screaming teenage fansi surrounding the royal trip to Canada this!

After college, Mr. Vickers rules out as antipathetic to the modernizing Britain of Tony Blair, the lung period with the army or navy that was once the backbone of a monarch's mining. William may have to find another way to prepare for a

What most people must hope for Wil-

But whether William likes it or not, a significant moment in the royal rites of, passage is the renewal of the dynasty. And whatever his achievements, the next 10 years are destined to lead to the apotheosis of the current hopes and dreams: When the Prince of Hearts gives,

ASIA: With a Changed Outlook on Japan and China, Clinton Prepares for Beijing Visit

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wild instability — while refusing to take the cure. When Mr. Rubin went to the Oval Office on Monday night to tell Mr. Clinton that the United States had to reverse policy, spending billions in the currency markets to prop up the yen, he described it as a desperation effort to save Japan from itself. Inside the Treasury, his aides have a

new title for the Japanese finance minister, Hikaru Matsunaga: Minister for the Destruction of the World Economy.

This huge shift in perspective is not universal, of course. Many in Congress still view China as a security threat, and last week they kicked into high gear the hearings over wbether the Chinese are exploiting liberalized U.S. commercial export laws to improve their spy satellites and nuclear missiles. Not surprisingly, the White House is drafting and re-drafting the remarks Mr. Clinton will deliver in China to make sure he presses the themes of burnan rights and nonproliferation.

In calm times this would be a delicate

complex by the realities of Asia's econnmic lurmoil.

China may remain America's huge military threat, but it has emerged in recent months as an equally buge economic ally — ensuring, at least for now, that crisis does not become catastrophe.

And Japan, bome in the U.S. bases

that keep Chinese power in check, has become an economic drunk driver. Its steps to deregulate the economy, reform its banks and cut taxes are widely viewed as inadequate, and no one even talks anymore about turning Japan into an engine of Asian recovery,
Naturally the Chinese see this as an
opportunity. In return for a pledge to

hold their currency stable - which Mr. Clinton is expected to seek this week, and which is in China's interest anyway - they want acknowledgment of China as the new economic leader of Asia. That's a stretch - China's economy is

still a fifth the size of Japan's - but nothing makes the Chinese happier than when U.S. officials repeat Mr. Rubin's mantra that "sometime in the next century China will balancing act. But it is made far more be the world's largest economy.'

Chinese cooperation in World War II, fighting side-by-side against you-knowwho, are part of a campaign in portray China as Asia's leader and America's indispensable parmer.

"The stars are lined up for them, because Japan is in such disfavor around the world," said Jeffrey Garten, dean of the Yale School of Management.

It's never been easy for the United

States in maintain an equilibrium in its relations with Japan and China. One has always been in vogue, the other nut. But rarely have things been this complicat-And add in that another wrinkle, The

Clinton administration is praising China's economic management today in part to encuurage it in defuse an economic time bomb down the road: China itself.

"China today has the characteristics of every Asian country that was hit by the crisis - hut worse," says Michael Walton, director of poverty reduction at the World Bank.

Somewhere between 25 and 30 per-

CLINTON: Lawyers Offer Deal for Lewinsky to Admit Sexual Relationship With Clinton

Continued from Page 1 counter a possibly damaging witness. To prepare for this eventuality, Mr. Clin-Mr. Clinton is not the only

ton's defense team months ago commissioned a private detective agency to conduct a thorough investigation of Ms. bringing dozens of witnesses before a official receptions, formal functions or Lewinsky's past, according to sources involved in the endeavor.

The firm, Investigative Group Inter-national, completed the work for David Kendall, who is Mr. Clinton's chief lawver in the Lewinsky matter, according to ton. sources close to the investigators.

Terry Lenzner, the founder and president of IGI, reportedly supervised the work. He declined to comment last

The extent and findings of the invesigation could not be learned, but who secretly tape recorded their consuch an investigation is common in highprofile cases and even lawyers symnathetic to Ms. Lewinsky said it would tradicting other elements of Ms. Lew- Currie. was nearby.

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areas such as sex, private bank accounts, affair with the president. Mr. Clinton is not the only one pre-

paring for different contingencies. Mr. Starr appears almost through

House deputy chief of staff, John Podesta, back to the grand jury on Tuesday and are preparing to call one of their last major witnesses, Linda Tripp, the nne-time Lewinsky colleague and friend versations about Mr. Clinton.

Moreover, Mr. Start has records con-

not be objectionable unless it delved into insky's affidavit beyond her denial of an

In that statement, Ms. Lewinsky attested that "the occasions that I saw the president after I left my employment at the White Hause in April 1996, were Washington grand jury as part of an events related to the U.S. Department of effort to prove that Ms. Lewinsky lied in Defense, where I was working at the

n. showing three dozen visits by Ms. Lew-Prosecutors plan to hring the White insky after April 1996, including once when she dropped by at Christmas last year, but not for an official function.

Sources familiar with the president's recalled talking with Ms. Lewinsky on that occasion, while his secretary, Betty Currie, was nearby.

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If no deal can be reached, the lawyers are preparing for a trial.

Two hours of previously undisclosed recordings of conversation between Monica Lewinsky and Linda Tripp depict the former White House intern as infatuated with President Bill Clinton the Jan. 7 affidavit she signed in the Jones case, in which she denied having had a sexual relationship with Mr. Clin
Mr. Starr has White House entry logs

mad. at one point, angry with him because he was avaiding her. The Associated Press reported over the weekend, quoting an account in U.S. News & World Report.

"The first time I looked in his eyes, I saw something I didn't expect to see. Ms. Lewinsky told her colleague.

said Ms. Ackerman spent about three hours reviewing the material.

sickest banks. The Chinese, he notes, have addressed their problems far more directly than Japan has.

his to an appropriate bride, to secure the succession and to keep the tattered family flag finds.

China's constant reminders of U.S.- cent of all the lnans nn the books of Chinese banks are not being paid back and probably never will be. That means there is now at least \$270 billion in bad debt in China, compared with \$600 billinn in much richer Japan. Moody's Investor Services warned Friday that China's big state banks are "in reality heavily insolvent."

But what about those impressive skyscrapers in Shanghai that Mr. Clinton will roar past in his motorcade on the way in a roundtable with cell-phonetoting Chinese entrepreneurs? Vast numbers of them are sitting empty.
So what has protected China from the

ecunnmic calamity that has hit its neighbors? A second Great Wall: its currency. which is not freely convertible. That means the speculainrs of the world can't move money freely in and out of China. Sealed nff from the markets. China has sidestepped George Soros and his friends, pegging its currency in a fixed exchange rate with the dollar.

But there are ways for the world to get around the wall. As the dollar has soared, China's exports have become far more expensive nverseas. Suddenly the cnuntries whose currencies have dropped so dramatically are selling goods more cheaply and cutting into China's market share. And that is reducing China's growth rate at the moment it desperately needs money to finance its perilnus transition in a market economy.

So it is no surprise that when the Japanese ven fell to scary new laws last week, the Chinese began in scream. Japan's economy is so big that it could lorce another round of huge currency devaluations - a second, far more fearis one reason Mr. Rubin intervened in the markets to bail out the yen.

But the Treasury secretary made no secret of the fact that he was forced in select amnng bad choices. He wanted to force Japan to make structural changes before he helped the yen: massive deregulation, tax cuts, shutting down the sickest banks. The Chinese, he notes,

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life of service to his country.

liam is that he can absorb the shock of hismother's death and go on to lead a ful-filled and useful life. Inevitably, he will, start to move center stage as Prince Charles turns 50 in November, as Queen leaders began threatening in devalue their own currency. China's nervousness is one reason Mr. Public in the property of the control of their own currency. sit smiling graciously under an umbrella.
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BUSINESS TO e-BUSINESS: SECURITY

How Much Is TRUST WORTH?

Companies are expected to spend \$8.3 billion on information-technology security this year.

ecause there is no e-business without it, trust is worth countless billioos of dollars. The very future b of electronic commerce depends on it. Of course, all business and all buman interaction are based on trust, but the borderless anonymity of cyberspace makes transactions over networks more suspect than contracts signed in a local office or purchases made in a Main Street

living Władawsky-Berger, general manager of IBM's Internet Division, points out that the underlying concern of c-business is power in the form of information - who has it and can they be trusted with it?

To address this concern, companies will spend more than \$8.3 billion oo security this year, according to information-technology research organizations International Data Corp. and the Gartner Group. Between 1997 and the year 2000, companies around the globe will have spent more than \$25 billion on products, services and expertise to create secure e-business environments.

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"Our job is to make sure that when people and enterprises go to the Internet, they never have to pause to say, 'Is it safe?'," said Lou Gerstner, 1BM chairman and CEO, in a recent speech.

IT consultancy Ovum suggests that good security is based on a trust model for the internet, consisting of proof of identity, "non-repudiation," confidentiality and in-

Proof of ideotity, through digital signatures and cer-tificates, means that organizations and individuals know with whom they are doing business.

Non-repudiation means that organizations and individuals can enter into contracts with confidence, knowing they will be honored.

Confidentiality and integrity mean that the communications within and between organizations and individuals will remain private.

Encryption is the key

Encryption, which uses different mathematical algorithms to scramble and unscramble data and uses keys to decipher the information, is essential to keeping all this data secure The market for public and private key products is

growing at more than 100 percent annually and will reach \$1.9 billion by 2001, estimates IT consultancy Data-. Although encryption is the basis for Internet security.

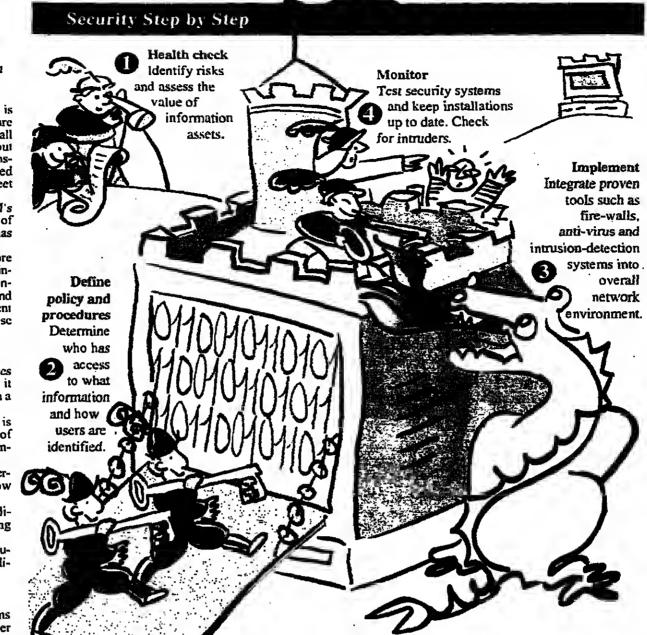
until 1997, U.S. export laws generally (with exceptions for the banking industry) effectively prohibited any com-munication across or outside of U.S. borders that used encryption stronger than 40 bits. However, many experts feel that 40-bit encryption is not

sufficiently strong ecough for sensitive or other high-value information. In a test conducted by RSA Data Security, it was cracked in eight hours.

- More recently, the U.S. government has reviewed exports on a case-by-case basis and has permitted stronger encryption in some software and hardware products. In May, Lotus Development Corp., an IBM company, and VeriSign Inc. announced that U.S.-based companies

servers located in the United States and abroad will now be ation. able to use 128-bit encryption for communication and commerce over open networks.

If the technology applied to crack a 40-bit encoded message in eight bours were applied to break a 128-bit encoded message, it would take more than 2 trillion years, so this change in U.S. encryption policy represents a major advance io corporate security.



The flip side of encryption is key recovery, fast becoming an important part of security. Keys may be lost when data stored in computer systems are not adequately managed or when systems are damaged.

IBM has developed KeyWorks, a framework for datasecurity architecture that includes key management. KeyWorks is based on Intel's Common Data Security Architecture.

Managing risk

Corporations should view security as a risk-management problem, says Kathy Kincaid, director of IT security programs for IBM. "What are you securing and what is the value of that asset to you? How much security do you need and what is the level of risk with which you are comfortable?"

using Lotus Domino Servers or Domino Go Web servers with a "health check," iocluding risk assessment and a subsequent audits, so the cycle can begin again. located in the United States, and international banks with cost-benefit analysis, to audit a company's security situ-

Second, a company should define its security policy. How often are passwords changed? What information or systems are considered high priority? What do you do

when your security has been compromised? Policies encompass physical as well as IT considerations. Are the doors to computer rooms locked? Who

employees allowed to take bome information on diskettes?

Third comes the implementation and design of appropriate security measures. What tools are needed and how can they be integrated into the existing environment? Integrated products and end-to-end expertise, such as that offered by IBM's Secure Way umbrella of offerings and consulting services, reflect the market trend toward allencompassing security solutions predicted for the years

Test and test again

The final and most-neglected part of the security cycle, offered "virtual" Visa cards cure bardware." says Ms. Kincaid, is security monitoring on a regular basis. with SET technology, She cites a recent study by Zona Research revealing that 40 percent of the U.S. companies surveyed didn't test their have Internet access. The ticipating io SEMPER by She describes corporate security as a cycle, beginning systems at all. Testing results should be fed back into

Even companies that have a well-established security cycle realize that risk can never be eliminated completely; it can only be managed at levels acceptable to the particular organization.

And everyone who uses the Internet should remember that one definition of trust is "reliance on future payment for property (as merchandise) delivered."

That's a good description of the kind of trust that is bas access to them and how are they identified? Are necessary for successful e-business. •

FOR YOUR EYES ONLY

ompanies that put some of their data on the Internet want to make sure they aren't making their systems vulnerable to snoopers or vandals. One way to answer this need is firewalls, software that controls what kinds of information can pass into and out of a corporate network.

IT consultancy Datamonitor believes that the worldwide market for firewalls will be worth over \$1 billion by 2001, with more than a third of that from Europe. Growth is being spurred by the numbers of small and medium-sized firms forming or joining mtrancts and extranets, according to Data-

Firewalls are like the fence around your property. They are a deterrent and help keep iotruders out, but are not foolproof and do oot protect you ooce an intruder is inside the premises. "The more access points you have, the greater your vulnerability." points out Kathy Kincaid, director of IT security programs for IBM.

Also important are strong authentication and authorization procedures, anti-virus protection, intrusioo-detection systems (which act as burgiar alarms) and the know-how to tie all these elements together.

Passwords or PIN numbers are one common way to limit access to confidential information. But most people use simple passwords that are easy to guess, or - if the password is complicated enough to be an effective deterrent - people tend to write them down.

you know; security can also be based on who you are or what you have. Recognition of who you are by fingerprints or retinal images developed by the European making sure that a contract will eventually be commonplace in security systems, says Ms. Kincaid. What you have may be an ID card, sug-place for Europe).

gests Ms. Kincaid, that can communicate with the computer system and identify the trust oo networks is im- opments will include imuser continuously. So even if a hacker breaks mense. Issues fall into three proved techniques for priinto your system, he or she cannot eavesdrop moin classes: technology, vacy protection. • for more than 60 seconds.

Ms. Kincaid notes that her company and others are working to make security easier, as well as more effective, because all users may not be computer whizzes.

"Encryption is the basis for Internet security," she says. "But most people don't know how to do cryptography, so we are working to make it simpler for users and application developers alike." •

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MAKING ON-LINE PAYMENTS SAFE

Since thieves on the Internet are very hard to catch, prevention is key.

Othello in the play ect manager, SEMPER, Shakespeare, but he IBM global services. clearly hadn't been contemplating purchases over the internet, where not only your "purse" can be stolen. but also your credit card development of an open senumber, bank account de- curity architecture and a letails and identity.

may well be in another country and time zone. almost impossible to trace.

For e-commerce to ex- fers and orders, and plode as pundits are predict- confidentiality. ing, both buyers and sellers nced trustworthy assurances: buyers that they are purchasing from legitimate range of applications and merchants and will receive the goods they order, sellers that they are dealing with bona fide customers and will be paid appropriately.

To address these concerns. IBM has been working with Visa, MasterCard and others to develop the Secure Electronic Transaction (SET) standard for Internet bank-card security. Using protocols based on digital certification. SET authenticates the identity of all parties in an on-line credit-card transaction, ensuring the security of the transaction and giving both the confidence to do business on the Web.

This two-way verification process is the major advantage of SET over previous security systems.

Virtual bank cards The latest and most ambitemational trials for SET began in Finland in May. All 900,000 Visa cardholders in provided their home PCs

Web sites around the world. manager of e-business solutions in Finland, reports that in the Netberlands and and merchants." Although highly motivated. there were only a few mertionally," be says.

a trustworthy environment and others. Password security is based on something on the Internet. March saw the first testing of a complete security architecture change," which involves research project SEMPER handled on-line has been

ho steals my purse legislation and education," steals trash." said says Gérard Lacoste, proj-

Creating an e-market SEMPER is tackling the first two of these with the gal framework to provide Worse yet, the thickes certainty to merchants and can't be pursued by horse- customers. It integrates all back down the road; they services required for secure electronic commerce, in-cluding SET, user authentication, digitally signed of-

> The idea is not to promote specific hardware or software, but to ensure that a

> > **Buyers** need assurance that they are purchasing from legitimate merchants and will receive the goods they order, sellers that they are dealing with bone fide customers and will be paid appropriately

services can be put together merchants and customers to meet the needs of merchants in all kinds of commerce. For example, says Mr. Lacoste, "some sellers may set their servers to only accept orders that match their offers exactly, while others may be prepared to negotiate prices. Buyers and sellers can choose betious of many ongoing in- tween either fraud reduction, using on-line registration and normal computers, or bigh security with perthe country have been sonal registration and se-

Tweoty different European organizations are parpotential market of almost a providing industry expertquarter of a million people ise in service provision, will be able to use their vir- banking, social sciences, tual Visa cards to shop the telecommunications, secu-Web, initially at Finnish rity engineering and legal sites only but eventually at issues.

A field test began this Kari Huoponen, IBM spring with three small-tomedium-sized companies initial response to the virtual France, choseo because card offer was "very enthu- they were unrelated to projsiastic by both consumers ect participants and were

When the test period finchaots in the first mooth of isbes in December, SEMthe test, "we expect to add PER will be extended thousands by year-end as throughout Europe. It will the pilot rolls out interna- probably be brought to standards bodies like the Open SET is a secure way of Trading Protocol Group, the making payments, but it is European Telecommunicaonly one element in creating tions Standards Institute

Additional services envisaged include "fair ex-(Secure Electronic Market- agreed to by both parties, and loyalty-card point "The task to establish tracking. Subsequent devel-

FIGHTING FRAUD

Software.net had a problem. The Internet's first software superstore focusing on electronic distribution was growing by leaps and bounds, but credit card fraud was increasing even more rapidly.

It reached a point where 60 percent of the orders received in one week were fraudulent, in spite of manual screening of each order, recounts Tony Bates, executive vice president of CyberSource Corp., Software.net's par-

Manual handling was not only unable to cope with the volume of orders, but was also unable to screen out fraud. Worsa, Software.net's bank was imposing penalties for

every false credit card order. So CyberSource developed a risk-screening service that reduced its parent company's fraud to under one-half

percent, turning it into one of the most prosperous stores on the Web CyberSource today partners with iBM to offer an end-to-

end security solution (Including SET implementation) for merchants like Software.net that deal in digital goods such as software, information, images, music or film. This kind of e-commerce is particularly tricky. It's much

harder for a merchant to verify buyers' claims that they did not receive the goods they ordered or that they received altered or damaged versiona. Sellers have no recourse to recover their payment if they ship to fake customers.

Equally costly are the hours spent both in fraud control and reconciliation of fraudulent payments with the bank. The most effective way to deal with the problem is "to stop incidents of fraud before they lay claim to valuable time and people resources," explains Mr. Bates.

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HACKERS WITH ETHICS

computer hackers broke into the information systems of a large U.S.-based transportation company. It took them less than three days to crack the system, and once Inside, they had unrestricted access to confidential e-mail files, personnel records, accounting systems and the company's intranet and Web sites.

The twist? These hackers are employed by IBM, and the transportation company gladly paid them to break Into their system. This "ethical hack" was just one of more than 300 that companies have asked the computer giant to perform in the past three years.

The hackers are the seven members of IBM Research's Global Security Analysis Lab (GSAL), formed by Charles Palmer, a

network security veteran. Mr. Palmer's group consists of five Americans (a mathematician, a photographer and three computer scientists), one Dutch professor of physics and one Dutch computer science doctoral student. A parallel GSAL group is based in Zurich. The common characteristic of the GSAL researchers is that they were victims of computer attacks themselves. Rather than give in, they learned to defend themselves from intruders and got hooked in the process.

"Think of a company's networked systems as a castle in need of protection," says Mr. Palmer. "Using the most advanced tools and techniques in the industry, the GSAL provides the blueprints IBM customers can follow for building thicker walls and deeper moats that keep

intruders on the outside." About half of the GSAL's clients heve experienced an incident themselves or have seen the results of security breaches in their industry. Hacker problems can include tampering with Internal e-mail, storing and distributing bootleg software and stealing confidential Information. A hacker can also make it impossible for an electronic transaction to take place, and even cripple the target's

Web site. Mr. Palmer cites the hacking of England's Labour and Conservative party Web sites within a few months of each security a priority and to do it right."

Earlier this spring, a group of world-class other. There was no loss of life or property, but strategically placed graffiti resulted in a loss of image for both parties.

"You need to ask yourself, "What is my data worth? And what will it cost me if that information is stolen, altered or destroyed?'," says Mr. Palmer.

GSAL's first clients were financial services organizations, followed by e-businesses and services, and government agencies. Mr. Palmer says GSAL has found that

their clients are not yet paying closa enough attention to their security needs. When the GSAL team invades a system, 90 percent of the time the client doesn't even realize they are there. And his team manages to break into 85 percent of the systems they target, usually in a weak or

The value of vigilance

Fixes for common vulnerabilities include better security education for employees, who should be encouraged to choose passwords that combine letters and numbers, change them regularly and never divulge them. Employees should also learn about hackers' tactics, such as posing as an employee who calls and says, 'I'm working from home and forgot the modern number."

Companies should also encrypt sensitive communications and install firewalls. Finally, systems administrators should regularly test the security of their company's network and keep up with fixes for

newly discovered bugs. The rapidly expanding use of e-mail, Internet accounts and Web sites has spawned multiple avenues through which hackers can gain access to information. But Mr. Palmer sees no need for alarm rather, he believes companies need to better utilize the tools and techniques necessary to raisa the bar on security.

"My main objective is to let people know that while there are major security threats to networked systems, there are actions that companies can take to protect their e-business," he says. "My goal is to convince these companies to make

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Have Currency Markets Reached Turning Point?

Intervention May Signal New Direction for Yen

By Paul Blustein Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - Just three years ago, when the yen was surging to post-World War II highs and the U.S. dollar seemed to be in free fall, the U.S. Treasury secretary, Robert Rubin, endured some uncomfortable encounters at a finance ministers' meeting in Indonesia.

Perhaps, he was told, the dollar was so weak that the United States should consider selling bonds denominated in yen so ANALYSIS that investors would buy them.

Today, with the yen in need of rescuing, that episode is worth recalling as a reminder of the powerful swings in currency markets that make policymakers look helpless one day and masterful the next.

Mr. Rubin was hailed as a wizard when, shortly after the Indonesia meeting, the dollar soared from its post-World War II low of 80 yen.

Now, the outlook for the global economy may be hanging on the question of wbether the currency markets have once again reached a turning point after Mr. Rnhin's decision Wednesday to join the Japanese government in a yen-buying, dollar-selling operation. That surprise intervencion sent the dollar tumbling from an eight-year high of nearly 147 yen to 137.835 yen Friday.

Up to now Japan's deepening slump and falling currency have worsened the dire outlook facing its Asian neighbors, such as South Korea and Thailand, because the huge Japanese market bas shrunk and inexpensive Japanese products have squeezed out competing Asian exports. A rising yen and healthy growth in the world's second-largest economy would give those countries a

chance to recover. But the danger is that the yen's strength will prove short-lived if Japan fails to show that it is reviving its damaged economy and hanking system. Should market analysts conclude that Tokyo was not effectively tackling its problems, the financial turmoil that has afflicted Asia and other emerging markets in recent weeks would almost certainly gather greater force and possibly leap across the Pacific. "What we've done is like applying a splint," a colleague of Mr. Rubin's said. "Splints work, But the bone has to heal."

That comment reflects the Treasury's view that intervention in markets, taken alone, rarely produces more than a ternporary impact on widely traded currencies such as the yen and the dollar. in September.

Whether the intervention Wednesday proves to be a milestone or merely a footnote in the history of the Asian crisis will depend on how quickly and decisively the Japanese change the policies that have kept their economy stagnating for almost seven years. In the final analysis, the only thing that is going to matter is what they do, Mr. Ruhin said.

The resolution is almost certainly going to have to wait unol after July 12, the date of an election for the upper house of Japan's Parliament that is important to Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto's grip on power.

Japanese officials insist that it would be politically foolhardy for the government to act before then, but that plans are secretly being drawn up for unpopular measures such as using vast amounts of taxpayer funds to relieve Japanese banks of hundreds of hillions of dollars in loans that are not being repaid. Japan plans to set up a government-funded institution to buy bad loans from banks and dispose of the property that was used as collateral. The hig oew factor in the global cur-

rency game is China, which sent tremors

through markets over the past two

weeks by warning that the yen's weak-

ness might force a devaluation in Beijing's currency, the yuan, to keep Chinese exports competitive. Delegates viewing Mr. Mahathir's speech on a big-screen TV on Sunday.

Malaysia Counters **Charges of Cronyism Mahathir Releases Names of Contractors**

KUALA LUMPUR - Seeking to thwart accusations of nepotism and cronyism, Prime Minister Mahathir hin Mohamad on Sunday released hundreds of names of companies and people who have won government projects.

The lists were distributed to the media and posted outside the hall where the annual convention of the United Malays National Organization, the party led by Mr. Mahathir, is being held.

The prime minister released two lists Saturday, one containing the names of dozens of firms that had won privatized projects and another with those who had received in-principle approval for government jobs.

The documents were released to show that the government had always been transparent in its dealings and to deny accusations that only those with family links and close association to leaders received lucrative projects and

contracts, he said. "There have been accusations that privatization benefits only a few close friends, cromes of the prime minister, maybe also the deputy prime minister. So we provide the list to see who got the privatized projects," he told a news

"There's literally hundreds of them, quite obviously they are not close cronies; there's no way we can he intimate with them," he said Saturday.

The issue became a hot topic after the party's youth leader. Ahmad Zahid Hamidi, jolted the party on Thursday by publicly denouncing corrupton and cronyism in its ranks, defying Mr. Mahathir's warning that hringing up the issue could cause a party split.

The prime minister has said there are

business executives and companies on the lists who are close to the government, hut they should not be penalized merely for their links to leaders.

'We are not guilty of cronyism, we are not guilty of nepoosm, although this does not mean that we must discriminate against someone merely because be has links to leaders. Mr. Mahathir said. He also said that Malaysia would ask

for more loans from the World Bank to belp bolster its economy. "Yes, we're asking for more," he said. "We need a lot of money to kick-

start the economy. Mr. Mahathir said Malaysia may ask the World Bank for between \$700 million and \$1 hillion beyond the S300 million loan it approved last week.

(Reuters, AFP)

Mark-Devoted Germans Gradually Come to Terms With the Euro

By Edmund L. Andrews New York Times Service

FRANKFURT — For decades, the Deutsche mark has been a bulwark against inflation and a national icon that most Germans have revered far more than their flag or their national anthem. But now, as the formidable currency reaches its 50th hirthday, more and more people here are coming to terms

with giving it up.
With less than seven months left before Germany and 10 other countries adopt the euro as a common European currency, public opinion polls show a big shift in attitude from hostility and anxiety toward grudging acceptance of the project. ..

The change should come as a wel-come relief for Chancellor Helmut Kohl, who has been the euro's most powerful champion and who will face

than 60 percent of Germans said they were opposed to the euro and feared it would be a weaker currency than their beloved mark. But a poll published Friday hy Handelsblatt, Germany's leading business newspaper, showed that only 42 percent of those surveyed described themselves as opponents and that the share bas declined steadily each month since January. The number of supporters, meanwhile, has steadily increased, to about 39 percent.

The new poll is consistent with others over the past six months that show a slow hut steady warming toward the euro. It also reinforced what political analysts have long predicted: the curo will not be a deciding factor for most

people when they vote in September. More than 70 percent of those surveyed in the Handelsblatt poll said they would oot base their votes on it.

most important backer, ordinary Ger-

mans have long been unhappy or at least uneasy about giving up the mark. Adopted on June 20, 1948, three years after the end of World War II, the currency hrought an abrupt end to byperinflation in Germany and helped usher in the nation's postwar "economic mir-

For decades, the mark has been one of the world's most important currencies. Many European countries have locked their currencies and monetary policies to those of Germany. For practical purposes, the mark has been a proxy for a European corrency in many internation-

al financial transactions. It will oot actually go out of circulation until after a three-year transition period. The euro will debut in

January, but only for electronic trans-

At anniversary celebrations Saturday in Paul's Kirche here in Frankfurt, a cathedral that was the meeting place for Germany's first elected representatives in 1848, Mr. Kohl and other German leaders celebrated and eulogized the

But with the general softening of attitudes about the currency transition, enlogies seem less necessary.

'I really don't care what coins I have in my pocket," said Sabine Mneller, a 33-year-old lecturer at the University of Halle who was visiting Frankfurt. me, the mark doesn't mean anything in particular, I didn't even know that it is the 50th hirthday

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As for those who resist the new currency, many tend to be older. They remember the trauma of rebuilding after World War II, and are more anxious and skeptical than younger workers.

But Germany's business leaders, particularly at hig banks and at industrial corporations, have been overwhelming supporters. Daniel Mitental, 32, an accountant in Frankfurt, echoed the opomisoc views of many young whitecollar workers.

"I think it is a big chance," he said relaxing at an eatery near the old opera house. "Many people associate the mark with stability and German virtues like discipline and hard work. But the value of the euro will he equally stable. People fear it because it's unknown."

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Internet Privacy: Firms Draw Up Rules

By Robert O'Harrow Jr. Washington Post Service

ASHINGTON — In a bid to head off U.S. federal privacy legislation, a group of companies that do husiness on the Internet will present a plan for self-regulation Monday, even though organizers continue to squabble over bow to enforce the voluntary rules. The Online Privacy Alliance includes

America Online Inc., Microsoft Corp., International Business Machines Corp. and almost 50 other companies and associations. The alliance started meeting in the spring after the White House and privacy advocates accused industry leaders of failing to develop consistent dren's privacy. privacy protections on the sprawling computer network. The Clintoo administration has re-

peatedly warned that electronic commerce would languish unless computer users think that their information is safe. Top administration officials last year gave industry leaders until July to craft a plan, and the Commerce Department will bold meetings next week to assess

Alliance members will announce guidelines urging companies to tell World Wide Web users how information is gathered and used and offer them a

group also would generally restrict members' collection of data about children younger than 13 without parental approval, these people said.

Companies on the Web now routinely collect names, addresses and other data for marketing or to resell, often without telling people how the information will

Christine Varacy, a former White House official who is belping to organize the alliance, acknowledged that companies could not agree on methods of enforcement. But she said the group has made strong progress in recent weeks, particularly in addressing chil-

"They don't want to make up answers they can't live hy," Ms. Varney said, adding that the companies will pledge to deliver a workable plan for enforcement

An official at the Direct Marketing Association, which represents some of the largest users of personal information, contended Saturday that disagreements about how to hold companies accountable are a healthy part of the process. But privacy advocates questioned

whether self-regulation could work and suggested the alliance proposals are www.iht.com/IHT/TECH/
"public relations." Critics said that a year Internet address: CyberScape@iht.com suggested the alliance proposals are

way to ensure that data are correct, ac- after the White House called for clear cording to several people involved. The privacy policies to be posted on Web sites, "consumers have little privacy pro-tection on the Internet," a Federal Trade Commission study released this month said. The study found that only 14 percent of U.S. commercial Web sites provide

any notice of information practices. In its own study, the Electronic Privacy Information Center, an advocacy group in Washington, found that new members of the Direct Marketing Association who use the Web rarely follow the group's privacy policies intended to guide the collection and use of personal information, Marc Rotenberg, the center's executive director, said.

"It's time to move beyond public relations and get on with the hard work of privacy protection," said Mr. Rotenberg, who added that the country needed a federal privacy office and legislation to belp ensure privacy on-line.

The group has discussed a range of approaches for enforcement, including allowing companies to assess their own privacy programs or making use of a special seal on Weh pages that would signify compliance with the group's rules, members said.

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As a rapidly growing European universal bank with a global sales network, Commerzbank has clear goals to meet the longer-term expectations of both its clients and shareholders. This special edition of Viewpoint focuses on these goals, outlines our strategies to achieve them, and summarizes our performance in 1997 and early 1998.



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centrating its activities on three main areas of business: investment banking, international finance, and domestic branch banking.

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Prankfurt supported by strong outlets in other major investment banking by 2000 is 31% net return on equity.

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DRAMATIC RISE IN SHARE PRICE. In 1997, Commerzbank's sbare price surged 81.3%, easily outper-

forming the DAX increase of 47.1%. Market capitalizaCon more than doubled to DM32.4bn. At DM109.7bn, the Bank ranked 10th among DAX shares in trading volume. The net dividend payout was a record DM673m, up by nearly 25%, and the dividend was increased from DM1.35 to DM1.50 per share.

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June 18 Asian Crisis May Hurt

and \$36.62) per share for its stock, which starts trading Monday in Paris, London and New York after a price is set. Investors said they wanted the shares priced at the low end to account for the risk that Japan's recession could drag down other countries in Asia, where Alstom gets 21 percent of sales.

A low-end price would raise \$3.8 hillion, \$700 million less

than the top price.

"The company's saying not to exaggerate the importance of Asia, but the problem is it might spread," said Christian Albuisson, a fund manager at Edinburgh Fund Managers. "The sector's not looking terribly attracove because of that."

Investors have expressed skepticism about Alstom's arguments that just under 3 percent of sales come from the countries most affected by the slump, such as Indonesia.

Alstom, formerly called GEC Alsthom, was formed in 1989 in a merger of the energy and transport units of General Support, St. Petersburg, Spines, Electric Co. of Britain and Alcatei Alsthom SA of France. It Taight Teathers, Tolyan, Tolyan, has grown into a multinational with 110,000 employees in

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By Barnaby J. Feder

New York Times Service

Street partnership remains: Edward D. Jones & Co., the St. Louis-based broker-Ofteo described as the Wal-Mart of finance because of its strategy of

serving investors in rural areas long ignored by giant stock retailers like Merrill Lynch & Co., PaineWebber Group Inc. and Morgan Stanley Dean Witter & Co., Jones has expanded rapidly into suburban America, Canada and, starting last year, small towns in

Jones' network oow stands at nearly 4,200 offices, more than any other firm's, Its goal is to have 10,000 offices within five years, most staffed by 8 single broker and an office manager. Such brokers make up roughly twothirds of its 2,500 limited partners. Most of the others are headquarters employ-

ees, including some secretaries.

There is no doubt the company could grow even faster if it followed Goldman's lead. Certainly, there has oever been a better time to get a high price for a company like Jones, although the 158 general partners could not expect their stakes to be valued at anything like the \$100 million figure being bandled about

for some of Goldman's 190 partners. Goldman earned about \$1 billion in each of the first two quarters of the year.

\$114 million on revenue of \$1.13 billion

for all of 1997. More capital would allow Jones not just to open new offices faster but also to expand its meager share in investment banking services that can be more locrative than selling stocks. It could also

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enter areas it now avoids, like trading for its own account.

But Jones figures there is more to lose than to gain from abandoning its partnership structure and the conservative business strategy that has been built around it. The company has, in fact, turned down offers to be acquired in the

"The greatest mistake successful companies make is focusing their analysis inward on what they do instead of

nearly 10 times Jooes' oet income of outward oo how the world is changing." \$114 million on revenue of \$1.13 billion said John Bachmann, Jones' managing partner. "But we've decided to stick with the trade-offs we've made."

Those trade-offs start with an investment philosophy that might seem out of touch in the go-go 1990s. Clients are typically directed to blue-chip stocks and bonds and theo generally advised to hold them with heirloom-like loyalty.

Brokers do not push initial public offerings and the firm, unlike, say, Merrill Lynch, has oo in-house mutual funds that it might be tempted to favor.

Jones' trading desk in St. Louis purchases boods oot for the firm's account but to provide inventory for the brokers. Similarly, Jones gets involved in investment banking only to create new securities for its clients. Neither trading our banking is treated as a separate profit center, eliminating a potential conflict of interest with the firm's retail

Brokers are given the freedom to operate their offices almost as independent businesses. They are pushed, though, to generate their commissions by finding new customers and by adding to existing accounts, rather than from trading

NEW YORK - Bond traders, who

For bond traders, the more frenetic the

trading the better. Last week proved to be

the most volatile week since February, and it follows a four-month period that

by some measures was the dullest in the

Treasury market in more than 20 years. "The big mooey has come out to play again," said William Westgare, a bond

salesman in Loodoo for ABN-AMRO.

The rally in bond prices began in October, as investors fleeing financial

turmoil in Asia parked mooey in Treas-

ury debt. The crisis in Asia is also

expected to slow the U.S. economy's

brisk pace and keep a lid on inflation. That is good for boods because inflatioo

The outlook for the Treasury market is predicated on unfolding eveots in

Japan, with the market likely to gain on

flight-to-safety if Tokyo fails to relieve

pressure oo the yeo, market players

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'It's been good for our desk."

lessens their value.

thrive oo volatility, are hoping for a

reprise of last week in the Treasury market, which last Monday took benchmark 30-year bond yields to record over the long term, participate in company training programs and keep their compliance records unblemished become limited partners.

Jooes' current strong buy recommendations inclode such war horses as Du Pont Co., Campbell Soup Co. and Citicorp. Even in high-technology, the favorites tend toward big names like

Compaq Computer Corp. The company's 13 analysts follow fewer than 300 companies, although their work is sopplemented by research that Jones purchases.

"There are periods of time when small stocks are in favor and then the market works against us," said Mary Beth Heying, a company spokeswoman.

Not recently, however. Jones' recommended list gained 39.5 percent last year, outperforming the Standard & Poor's 500-stock index and the recommended selections of every other major broker. It continued to outperform the S&P 500 in the first five months of this year, returning 14.5 percent.

But the five-year gain through the end of last year of 120.4 percent was 20 percent less than the S&P's and below

Asia Is Likely to Keep Activity Frantic

last Monday as tembling Asian cur-

rencies and stocks prompted a rush into Treasuries. The yield fell to 5.57 percent

— the lowest since regular sales of the securities began in 1977.

day loss in nine months, driving yields

up to 5.75 percent Wednesday, as the

United States sold dollars to prop up the

U.S. CREDIT MARKETS

yea. Bond yields ended the week at 5.69

perceot, up 2 basis points from the pre-

Traders said big price swings might

cootinge as bond investors looked for

closs to Japan's commitment to im-

proving its ailing economy and bailing

out its banks. Many economists say that

unless Japan recovers, the rest of Asia has little hope of bouncing back.

lied on comments reported on Reuters television that the U.S. Treasury sec-

retary, Robert Robin, did not expect

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On Friday, Treasury bond prices ral-

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Bonds then suffered the biggest two-

Thirty-year U.S. bond prices soared this point," said Patrick Dimick

Wall Street's Last Partnership Plans to Stick to Its Conservative Strategy

or speculatioo. Those who earn profits that of most other brokerage houses. Mr. Bachmann admits that he frees about his firm's ability to prosper as Wall Street firms consolidate, banks and other competitors plunge into stock brokerage and Internet-based services offer investors bargain-priced trading from their home computers.

Battling firms like Merrill Lynch for hotly cootested suburban turf is tough enough, especially because that Wall Street giant has been paying big bonuses to lure away looes' brokers.

Mr. Bachmann says the changes in the competitive landscape have not been surprising, but the pace of change has been-lones has responded by hiring 150 broker candidates a month this year and plans to step that rate up to 200 a month.

Jones is gambling that rapid expansion can offset the marketing advantages of larger competitors and the lower costs of new Internet-based brokers. How far into the next century such efforts can carry the partnership is Mr. Bachmann's big challeoge.

'The main threat to us is irrelevance," Mr. Bachmann said. "If our voice is drowned by giants or they price in ways we can't compete, we'll be in trouble."

strategist at UBS, "because there are no

guarantees as to what will be forth-

coming in the way of reform policies or

'Market hopes for a landmark agree-

ment to come out of the current U.S.

Japan meetings had clearly gotten our of

hand, so Mr. Rubin brought us back to

reality," he said.
"With this Asia stuff, you never.

know what's going to happen," said-Jamesoo Yardley, a cash trader with

Zions Capital Markets. "For the last six

to nine months there have been a steady

solid stream of contradictory statements

from Japan. We should probably expect

New supply in the form of the Treasury's auction of \$12 billion of two-year

notes Tuesday and \$11 billioo of fiveyear ootes may pressure the markets lower in the beginning of the week, Mr.

The beginning of the week will bring

little market-moving data. Releases will begin to pick up with the durable goods

report for May oo Wednesday, and then

the final gross domestic product report

(Bloomberg, Market News).

for the first quarter on Thursday.

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Yardley said.

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Most Active International Bonds

The 250 most active international bonds traded through the Euroclear system for the weeting June 19. Prices supplied by Telekurs.

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21.7 trillion yen (\$157.9 billion) in bad loans as of March. The total number of doubtful bank loans. which are either bad or may turn bad, has been estimated by economists at 100 trillion yen. But Mr. Matsunaga was reluctant to offer more money to tackle the problem, plan announced in February was enough "for the time being.

"Banks should erase bad loans from their balance sheets by themselves, and we have to make them do so," the finance minister said.

Mr. Matsunaga promised to take steps to keep the yen stable against the dollar and avoid fluctuation in Asian currencies.

We cannot comment on levels of currencies, but stability is important," Mr. Matsunaga said.

"We have to avoid a scenario where a sharp move of foreign-exchange rates would provide a negative impact on Asian currencies, he said.

Washington stunned world markets last week by working with Tokyo to buy yen for dollars and prop up the faltering currency. The intervention took the dollar from an eight-year high of 146.75 yen earlier in the week to 136.05 yea by Fri-

day.
The deputy finance ministers ent he was gathered Saturday said they would be watching the foreign-currency intended to intended to foreign the foreign. appropriate."

Analysts said Sunday that financial markets were hoping for a quick reaction from Japan, with detailed

be forgiven," said Junji Ota, analyst at Okasan Research Institute. "If they want to do it they can do it now, not after elections." (AFP, Rewers)

■ Japan Makes No Promises Shervl WuDunn of The New York

Times reported earlier:

new, specific commitment to economic restructuring seemed a step backward from the expectations that had been raised just a few days

earlier. When the United States joined with Japan on Wednesday to in-tervene in foreign-exchange markets to prop up the yen, President Bill Clinton and other officials saying a 30 trillion-yen stimulus strongly hinted that Japan was ready to take new steps to bolster its economy, but Saturday those steps

seemed more clusive than ever. The Japanese government insisted that it had made no promises of further restructuring in exchange for American support for its currency. "If you ask if there are secret agreements between the United States and Japan: There are none. Eisuke Sakakibara, deputy finance minister for international affairs, said at the conclusion of the G-7

meeting. Financial markets throughout the world soared in the past few days in part on the expectation that the yen's long slide had ended and that Japan would undertake new policies to improve its economy. It is not clear how the markets will react in the coming week to the lack of any clear

new steps to emerge this weekend. Mr. Summers would not say whether Japan had outlined new economic measures or bow confident he was that it would respond

The meeting of G-7 officials was intended to put pressure on Japan to take further steps and to reassure the financial markets that there was a new determination on Japan's part

to address its problems. policies.

"Now that Tokyo has made an international commitment, a failure to bring economic recovery cannot be forgiven," said Junji Ota, analyst does not move fast to mend its econ-

In the statement, the United States and other countries agreed to "monitor developments" and cooperate 'as appropriate' in the foreign-exchange markets, but there was no Japan's failure to provide any mention of any effort to reverse the financial environment.

Buffett to Buy General Re in \$22 Billion Deal

Washington Post Service OMAHA, Nebraska Berkshire Hathaway Inc., the investment holding company controlled by the billionaire investor Warren Buffett, has agreed to pay \$22 billion in stock for General Re Corp., the largest U.S.

The purchase of General Re. would broaden Mr. Buffett's reach in the insurance industry and add about \$24 billion to Berkshire's existing holdings of investment securities, valued at \$46 billion at the end of 1997. For General Re, the deal af-

fords access to a huge pool of capital and income that will allow it more stable earnings. Mr. Buffett said the compa nies would have a net worth of \$56 billion, greater than any U.S. company and second only to Royal Dutch/Shell Group

among global companies.

The transaction was announced Friday after financial markets closed Berkshire Hathaway Class A shares closed Friday at \$80,900, up \$1,900. The Class B shares closed at \$2,705, up \$67. General Re shares closed at \$275.00, np \$50.875.

decline of the yen. We issued a statement expressing our seriousness and urgency of the matter," Mr. Sakakibara said. "I

think they believe our seriousness." One problem is that Japan has repeatedly promised before to tackle its economic and banking troubles. But while it is pushing through with a grand program, called the "big bang," to restructure the financial industry, it has backtracked on some of its previous pledges to liberalize its markets and to create a more open

HELLO??: Computers Do the Talking jobs - have been lost in the six years since the first rudimentary

But the systems promise customers new ease in performing every type speech recognition was introduced of transaction. The relatively few according to labor economists and consumers who have found them-AT&T executives. selves talking to a computer are gen-The number of jobs created or erally positive about the experience.
"Sometimes it feels like it's smarter than I am," said Tony Mo-

destroyed by such systems is a mat-ter of much debate. But many labor experts agree that the new technollinaro, a United manager. He began ogies will contribute to the growing using the company's reservation polarization of the job market into system, which is available only to high-skill and low-skill jobs and a employees, several months ago and corresponding disparity in wealth.

They will create high-paying jobs for computer programmers and for The system has enough sophistication to know about the members the many marketing people who sell their work. But in the process, they of his family who are eligible to fly. For example, when he refers to his will destroy semiskilled jobs in cusfather, the computer asks, "Do you tomer service.

"One of the main sources for new "It's very neat that it understands jobs for the middle class over the past 15 years have been telephone Speech recognition began in the sales and information-related," said 1960s when computer scientists began to research the idea with fi-Robert Reich, the former secretary of labor, who is a professor of economic and social policy at Brandeis University. "Now all those jobs are on the line." nancing from the Pentagon's Advanced Research Projects Agency. which created the original Internet. Despite the optimism of research-

Last month, Sears, Roebuck & Co. became the nation's first retailer to install a computer system that answers all phone calls at the company's 833 stores, responding to queries and automatically routing calls to the right department.

Dragon Systems began offering the Sears executives say that while first commercial systems. These systems, designed for personal com-puters, initially recognized only in-dividual words and forced users to 3,000 jobs were affected by the new system, no workers were laid off. Because of the strength of the economy, the company was able to re-The commercial turning point came in 1992, when AT&T Corp. introduced a five-term speech recogassign its telephone operators to new jobs as sales and stocking clerks, but those jobs might not be nition technology into its nationwide possible in times of slower economgrowth.

long-distance network. That system, which can recognize just five terms

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party," "credit card" and "person
to person" — saves "several bundred million" dollars a year, most of Last autumn, Charles Schwab & Co., the discount stockbroker, began allowing customers to buy and sell mutual funds over the phone using software developed by a Silicon Valley start-up. Nuance Comit in labor costs, AT&T says.
According to the Bureau of Labor munications. The system under-Statistics, the number of jobs for stands the names of more than 1,300 telephone, directory assistance and funds and can respond to requests in-house operators fell to 164,000 for price quotes for more than from 400,000 between 1970 and 13,000 stocks.

1996, a decline of 236,000 jobs. •The Software Publishers Association, the largest U.S. More than a fifth of those — 51,000 industry trade association, charged that Microsoft Corp. was using anti-competitive business tactics to extend its market

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dominance beyond personal computers to back-office "file-server" machines and corporate networks. • The Philippines has formally protested against an assessment by the International Monetary Fund-that it had

understated its foreign debt by \$6 billion. · Optus Communications Pty. and AAPT Ltd., two Aus. tralian telecommunications companies, have begun a political campaign to reduce the market dominance of the local in.

dustry giant Telstra Corp. · Mannesmann AG priced its new shares at 160 Deutsche marks (\$89.25) per share in its planned 3 billion DM capital increase. The new shares will begin trading Wednesday on the Frankfurt bourse.

• Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan Ltd. is discussing a merger with Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank Ltd., the Asahi Shimbun reported. Dai-Ichi is Long-Term Credit's largest shareholder. China plans to increase tax breaks for exporters in a bid to bolster trade in the face of the Asian financial crisis, the China

· Porsche AG has withdrawn an offer to buy the renowned Italian car brand name Bugatti, the German oews magazine Focus said Sunday. AFP, Reuters, WP

Daily reported Sunday.

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At the Annual General Meeting held on 17 June 1998, the shareholders resolved to declare a dividend of Yen 50 per share, payable on 15 July 1998 to shareholders on record on 15 July 1998 and to holders of bearer shares upon presentation of coupon n 28. The shares will be quoted exclividend as from 15 July 1998.

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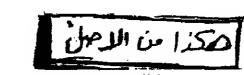
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The Women (and Girls) Who Would Be Wimbledon's Queen

By Robin Finn

WIMBLEDON, England — Uneasy lies the head that doesn't wear this crown: From crass teenagers to cranky veterans, everybody's clamoring to be the queen of Wimbledon this year.

According to no less an authority on women's tennis than the six-time Wimbledon champion Billie Jean King, the last time the game was so glutted with talent, and with novel personalities hungering for glory, was never.
"Women's tennis is in the best shape in its history.

without question," said King, who is now a U.S. television commentator.

Continuing a tradition that began, to some degree. here at Wimbledon when Lottie Dodd won the title in 1887 at age 15, women's tennis has a bevy of teenage - Jana Novotna en celebrities. Each is intent on looking and playing like route to a pre-Wimbledon no one else in the world, especially their precursors, grass title at Eastbourne. and each is already famous regardless of whether she

has won a tournament.

Navratilova, the nine-time Wimbledon champioo, of won't Anna Kournikova, 17, who reached the semifinals here last year.

"I don't have a problem with her marketing," she added. "What I do have a problem with is being cocky and arrogant wheo you've not won a damn thing.

were in doubt Sunday, Agence France-Presse re- feeling "very confident." ported. She strained her thumb in a fall while beating Steffi Graf at the Eastbourne tournament on Wed-

able to hold the racket by Tuesday."]

The undisputed monarch of the bunch is a 17-year-old Swiss girl who just recently began falling for boys instead of horses. Will Martina Hingis put business before round course, they would meet in the final. pleasure and defend in 1998 the second of the three Grand Slam titles she won in 1997? There are 127 other players, atop the ranking 15 months ago by Hingis, has ac-

"Sex appeal does out win matches." said Martina among the top 30 players in the world, hoping that she

Even Hingis's fellow teenagers agree that her tennis is more sophisticated than theirs. That's why bearing her has become just as momentous a rite of passage as beating a legeod like Graf.

That's why Kournikova, who has beaten Hingis this [Kournikova's chances of even competing this year season, had said that she was heading into Wirnbledoo

Graf is one veteran who will bring passion to her pursuit of the 1998 Wimbledon title, because she knows her days at the top are ending rather than just ["It will be a close call," said Pavel Slozoil, beginning. She recognizes that this could be her last Kournikova's coach. "I don't know if Anna will be campaign on these lawns. Graf is the only player, veteran or not, to own a 5-1 record against Hingis, which includes two victories at Wimbledon. If Hingis and Graf, a seven-time champion, weather the seven-

Graf, 29, the German who was ousted from her perch

including as many as five of Hingis's teenage compatriots cumulated nearly as many surgeries as Grand Slam the arrows the top 30 players in the world, horing that she — she holds 21 — but she refuses to surrender her specific to the youngsters. Straight from cursing our en-official who worked the lines during her petulant has Kournikova at Eastbourne, she is steeling herself. outlast the competition and is seeded fourth — on strength of her past laurels — despite an actual rank.

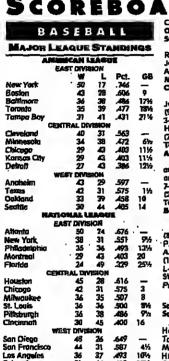
Another Grand Slam champion on the rebound Monica Seles, the 24-year-old Yugoslav-turnedidian who made a rousing sprint to the French Co final. That Seles counts no Wimbledon titles and her collection of nine Grand Slam victories makes bid almost as urgent, and just as sentimental

Sentiment aside, Arantxa Sanchez Vicarios Spain, the French Opeo champioo and two-Wimhledon finalist, wants to prove the old gnare

not going to be put out to pasture.

"Results say everything," she said. "Now to woo the French, maybe they'll have more respect?

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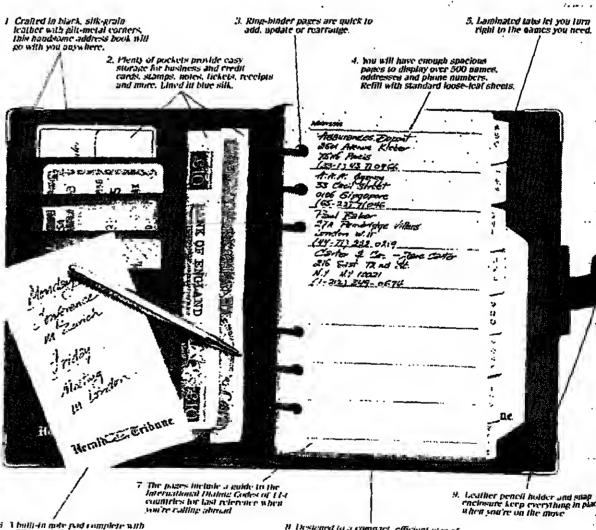
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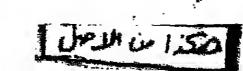
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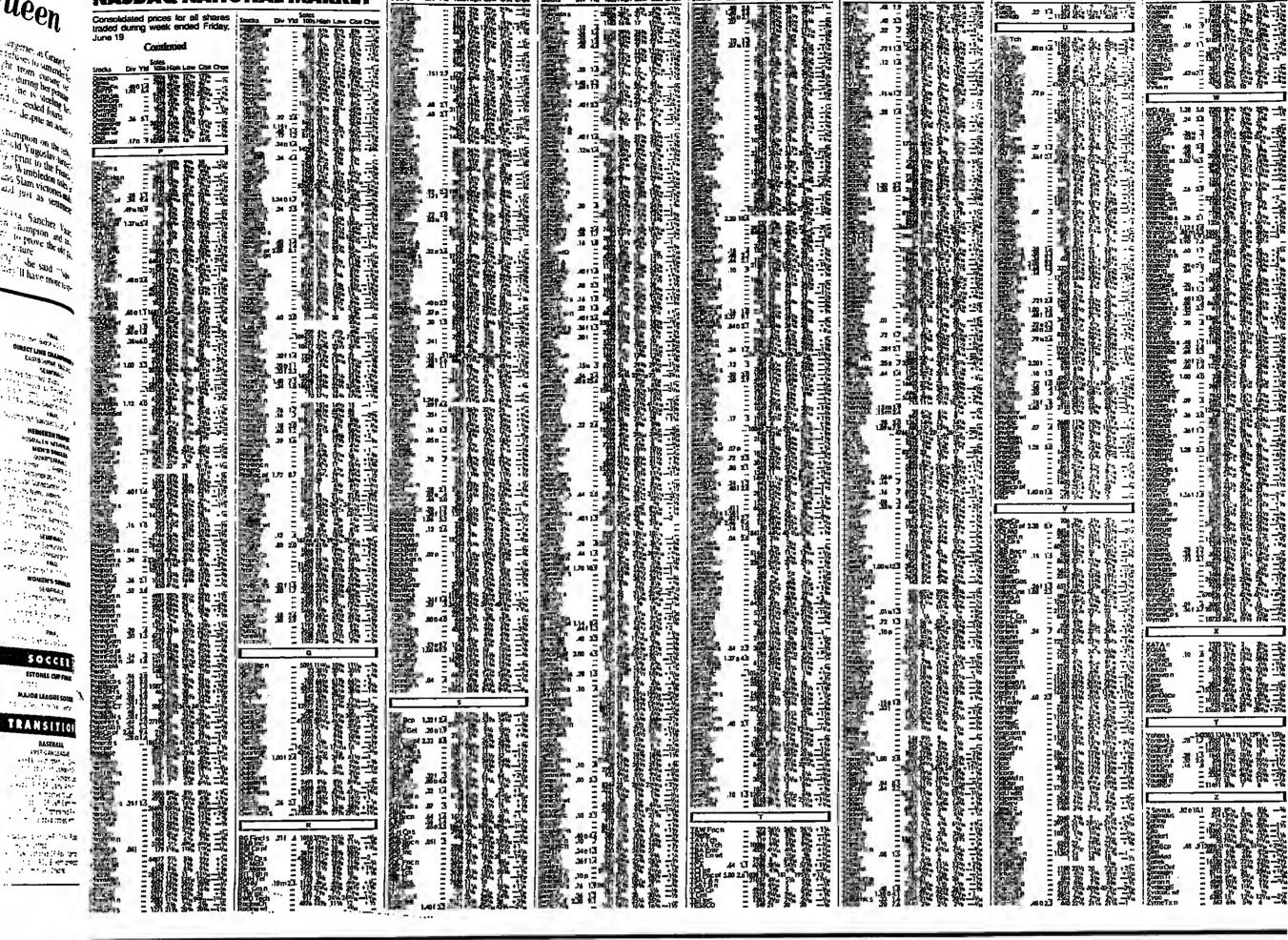
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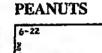
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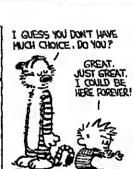
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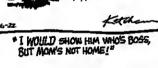














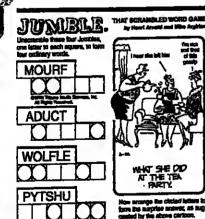


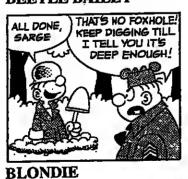


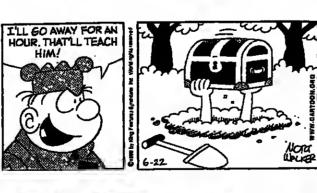


















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WORLD ROUNDUP Stewart Leads Lehman by 4 Entering the Final Round

A Trophy for Rafter

TENNIS Patrick Rafter breezed through the final of the Heineken Trophy grass-court tournament Sunday in Rosmalen, Netherlands, beating Martin Damm, an unseeded Czech, 7-6 (7-2), 6-2. Rafter, the U.S. Open champion, is seeded sixth for Wimbledon, which starts Monday.

Panthers Get New Coach

ICE HOCKEY Terry Murray became head coach of the Florida Panthers on Sunday. His brother, Bryan, is the team's general manager and coached the final 59 games last season. Florida finished with secondworst record in the National Hockey League, two years after it reached the Stanley Cup finals.

Al Campanis Dies at 81

BASEBALL Al Campanis, the former Los Angeles Dodgers executive, died Sunday. He was 81. Campanis was the Dodgers' geo-eral manager from 1968-1987. Before that, he was the team's scouting director. He was fired in 1987 shortly after he appeared on tele-vision and said blacks "lacked the necessities" to be managers and front-office executives.

Victory for South Africa

CRICKET Jacques Kallis, the South African howler, took four wickets Sanday as England collapsed for a secood time, and South Africa won the second test hy 10 wickets at Lord's in London. England, which was all out for 110 in its first innings, reached 222 for three wickets in its second innings before losing six wickets for 11 runs. It was all out for 264, leaving South Africa to make 15 runs to win. (Reuters)



Payne Stewart lining up a putt (for an eagle) on the Olympic Club course.

By Leonard Shapiro Washington Past Service

SAN FRANCISCO - If Payne Stewart had any haunting memories of a bogey-bogey finish in the second round, any flashbacks to that wacky 7-foot birdie putt that became a missed 22footer at the 18th green, it was not evident in the third round as he marched well ahead of the pack toward the final 18 holes of the U.S. Open.

Stewart began his third round Saturday exactly the way he wanted, hitting his second shot at the 533-yard opening

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hole at the Olympic Club within 25 feet of the flag and stepping up and curling the purt into the cup for an eagle.

He ended with a par 70 to put him 3under at 207 after 54 holes, with a four-shot advantage over Tom Lehman, who had 68 in the third round, and the 1986 PGA champion, Bob Tway, who had

"I've played good golf, and there's no reason I shouldn't think I can play good golf tomorrow," Stewart said. "There's oo reason why I shouldn't believe I can win the golf tournament, because I put myself in position to win it."

Oo Sunday, Stewart was to be paired with Lehman, playing in the last group in the final round of an Open for a fourth straight year. Lehman, the British Open champion, has been the 54-hole leader each time, only to make critical mistakes on the back side. This time, he would like to believe it will be different.

"If I'm not leading," be said, "the pressure will be on the other guy. It's something different, maybe something

better for me." Tway, a shot off the lead after 36 holes, got to 3-under for the tournament when he made a 14-footer for birdie at the second hole, only to donhle-bogey the treacherous 433-yard ninth hole. But be held his game together on the back side, and his hirdie at the 18th put him into a tie for second.

Two other players with major championship victories finished the third round with a 2-over 212: the 1993 Open champion, Lee Janzen, with a 73 and the three-time major champion, Nick Price of Zimbabwe, with 71.

Matt Kuchar, a student at Georgia Tech, finally faltered Saturday, undone like so many others by swirling winds, crusty greens and tricky pin positions. Six back-nine bogeys led to a round of 76 that left him at 5-over 215. With little to cheer, and a warning from the U.S. Golf Association to tone down his act, his father, Peter - who is also his caddie - was noticeably subdued from

the previous day.

A high-ranking USGA official confirmed Saturday that Peter Kuchar had been "spoken to" Saturday morning before his son's round and reminded about proper decorum for caddies at the major championship level of the game. The official said Peter Kuchar had essentially been asked to keep his celebratory leaps and cheerleading to a minimum.

No amateur has won the Open since John Goodman accomplished the feat in 1993, a streak that will not be broken Sunday Kuchar is tied for 12th.

The course "played extremely difficult," Kuchar said. "The winds were swiring. If you didn't hit perfect golf shots, they wouldn't go where you'd want them to go."

This was more a test of survival than a pleasant day by the Pacific shore oo a brutally difficult Lake Course. By the time Stewart made the turn, he was the only player oo the leader board under par as he tried to become the first wireto-wire Open champion since Tooy Jacklin in 1970 at Hazeltine in Chaska, Minnesota. That's where Stewart won his first U.S. Open title in 1991.

Several players made an early run at Stewart on Saturday, a one-shot leader going into the third round, Lehman bird-ied his first three holes to get to even par. Just as quickly, he made three straight bogeys. Still, he managed to stop the slide with seven straight pars before making birdie at the 14th hole and a 5-

foot birdie putt at the 18th.

"Yesterday, I was as angry as I've ever been walking off the golf course in Lehman said, furious about the difficult pin positions on Friday. "I had to anot-ogize to a lot of guys for biting their heads off. The course was set up much better today."

Lehman has been brilliant in the third

part de la company de la compa rounds of the last three Opens, within 66.7 stroke average. He has had difficulty finishing it off, though, with two third places, including last year and a tio for second in 1995 to show for it. His stroke average in those final rounds was 72.Ta Any thought Tiger Woods had of

men out the morning of the morning o staging a miracle weekend comeback ended Saturday with a 71, for a total of 217, giving him a 10-shot deficit one course that yielded only three scores in the 60s oo Saturday.

"It was a struggle out there. I hit a tot of loose shots," Woods said. "I need to hit more greens, more fairways. But I've played so much better mentally than in any of the majors last year.

Casey Martin. Woods's former Stan-

ford teammate, also struggled Saturday Permitted to use a golf cart because of a disability that makes walking difficul he shot 74 and was at 219.
"This place is kind of goofy," Martin

said. "When you hit a good shot and get a bad result, it's defeating. I was a defeated fellow out there for a while." The same could not be said for Steak art. For most of the day, he seemed

content to hit toward the middle of the greens and give himself a good chance for a makable two-putt par; Stewart's father, Bill, played in the Opeo at the Olympic Club in 1955;

Asked what advice his late father might give him, Stewart smiled.

"He'd say, 'Bus, just keep doing what you're doing. Keep putting it on the greens and keep your head still when you're putting. I can't look at what anybody else is doing. I've got to worry about Payne Stewart.

"I'm oot going out there trying to play against Tom Lehman I'm going out there to play the golf course."

A Present for Alou as Expos Top Braves

five-hit ball for eight innings Sunday and the Expos beat the Atlanta Braves, 4-1, giving the Montreal manager, Felipe Alou, his 500th career

The Expos took two of games. three from Atlanta, winning

BASEBALL KOUNDUP

their first series against the Braves since July 1994. Alou passed Gene Manch for second place on the victory list of Expos managers. Buck

Rodgers leads with 520. the National League's top offense, allowing only a seventhinning home run to Michael Tucker. He struck out five and won for just the second time in

his last six starts. Denny Neagle (g-5) alinnings. He struck out four streak and walked three.

Shane Andrews hit his 12th home run in the sixth inning. Red Sox 3, Devil Rays 1 In St. Petersburg, Florida, Pedro Martinez gave up only a fifth-inning triple in eight innings

Martinez (9-2) struck out six and walked two. The Philadelphia.

right-hander, who pitched a Dustin Hermanson pitched two-hitter against Seattle in April, regrouped after Miguel Cairo's triple to retire the last 11 batters he faced.

Nomar Garciaparra hit his 10th homer as the Red Sox won for the ninth time in 11

ine hit a three-run double and first game since May 5 as Kansas City beat Detroit.

Larry Sutton homered and had three RBIs for the Royals. who have won seven of 10. Kansas City took three of four odgers leads with 520. in Detroit to win three straight Hermanson (5-6) shut down series for the first time since September 1996.

Giants 5, Padres 2 Shawn Estes and Robb Nen combined on a six-hitter, and Rich Aurilia doubled and singled to drive in three runs as San lowed four runs — three Francisco stopped San earned — on six hits in six Diego's 11-game winning

> Estes allowed two runs on five hits in 71/2 innings. Nen got five outs for his National

League-leading 22d save. Cubs 9, Phillies 4 In Chicago, Sammy Sosa hit two home runs for the second leading Boston over Tampa straight day and set a majorleague record with 16 borners in June, leading Chicago past

Sosa had a two-run homer Burks homered and drove in bome runs in his last 21 games, and 29 for the sea-

Kerry Wood (7-3), who Royals 6, Tigers 5 Jeff Con- struck out 11 in 71/2 innings. eath inning as the Pirates won

Braves 5, Expos 1 John in Milwaukee. seven innings in his return from the disabled list, and Javy Lonez hit a three-run homer as Atlanta won in Montreal.

Martins 8, Mets 3 Livan Hernandez pitched a complete game and Todd Zeile hit a two-run homer as Florida won in New York. The Mets' starter. Hideo Nomo (2-8), In Saturday games: winless since April 28 with Los Angeles, lasted five-plus innings, allowing four ruos on

seven hits and six walks. Astros 9, Reds 8 In Houstou, Carl Everett's two-out, bases-loaded double capped a four-run eighth, and Jeff Bagwell added a three-run homer as Houston beat Cincinnati.

2 In St. Louis, Manny Aybar pitched six strong innings in his first start in oearly a mooth, and Ray Lankford hit a two-run homer as St. Louis beat Arizona to reach 500 for the first time since June 4.

in the third and hit a three-run four runs and as Colorado beat blast in the sixth. He has 20 visiting Los Angeles to snap a four-game losing streak. Pirates 4, Brawers 2 Pitts-burgh's Jon Lieber limited

the Brewers to four hits in turned 21 on Tuesday, hit his eight innings and hit a tiefirst big-league home run and breaking double in the sev-

Wells struck out nine batters in eight strong innings, and Marian Rivera held off a ninth-inning Cleveland rally as the New York Yankees beat the Indians for the third

time in four games. White Sox 8, Twins 7 Minnesota led in the 10th and the 11th innings in Chicago, but the White Sox rallied both times. In the bottom of the 11th, Wil Cordero, a pinch hitter, and Greg Norton hit runscoring singles with two outs to give Chicago the victory.

Angels 8, Rangers 3 Steve Sparks overcame Juan Gonzalez's two-run homer in the first inning as Anaheim beat visiting Texas. Gonzalez hit his 23d homer to increase his total of runs batted in to 88.

Athletics 6, Mariners 2 Jimmy Haynes pitched shutout ball for 71/3 innings before being knocked out of the game by a line drive, and Rockies 7. Dodgers 6 Ellis A. J. Hinch and Jason Giamhi



Hideo Nomo heading for a loss against the Marlins.

hit home runs as Oakland won

in Seartle. Orioles 11. Blue Javs 3 In Baltimore, Lenny Webster hit the first of three homers off Woody Williams and Baltimore's Scott Erickson pitched his fifth complete game as the Orioles beat Toronto.

Devil Rays 8, Red Sox 5 In St. Petersburg, Florida, Paul Sorrento hit a two-run bomer and Dave Martinez doubled with the bases loaded to drive in two runs as Tampa Bay stopped Boston.

Tigors 4, Royals 3 In Detroit, Bohby Higginson and Luis Gonzalez hit first-inning homers as Brian Moehler improved to 7-0 at home to beat

In the Mystics' WNBA Opener, More at Play Than Just a Game

By Michael Wilbon Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - On the simplest level, it was a basketball game, the first Women's e. a chance for people here to see a dazzling U.S. Olympian, Nikki McCray, whom little girls and boys all over the city will quickly come to sdore.

But it was so much bigger than that, really. Washingtoo's 25-76 victory over Utah was so much more important than the game people

VANTAGE POINT

play. Susan O'Malley, president of Washington Sports and Entertainment, recalled how five or six years ago she would speak to a group of young womeo at some school or Rotary Club. And she would point to herself, a successful executive in the high-testosterone world of professional sports, as proof that women can and should follow their career dreams oo matter what cynics say.

"I'd tell them, 'If I can do this, you can, she said. "They'd always come back with, 'Yeah, well the one thing we still can't do is

play at the professional level." For a while, O'Malley had no real answer for them, but she does now. The answer is the WNBA, the answer is 20,674 showing up at MCI Center on Friday night, the largest crowd to ever watch a womeo's pro game in North America. If it's a year later than we'd have

petition, the opening was worth the wait at was worth it for all those little girls (and, we hope, boys), thousands and thousands of them. to see Tipper Gore, Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, Health and Human National Basketball Association game played Services Secretary Donna Shalala and Senator in Washington, the first victory for the new Barbara Mikulski, Democrat of Marylands come to center court to show their supp not just this team, but this entire endeavor.

You think there's a stronger, more highpowered endorsement of women's basketball anywhere in the world than the one they put forth by walking to center court before the opening tip? They were there to say the same thing O'Malley says to those women at the Rotary Club: "If we can do it, you can, too!"
Not a single soul can come back with, "But we can't play professionally." because all

they have to do now is point to the court.

The names aren't familiar, but they will be Jim Lewis, a fine college coach at George Mason before he became head coach of the Mystics, has been telling hard-headed men for years that there's a huge untapped market for women's basketball. Lewis could see the future of women en's basketball clearly, even before people such as David Stem, the NBA commissioner.

Chances are, there wasn't anybody in this place - not a player or justice or vice presideot's wife — as proud as Lewis was when the huge crowd began rocking the joint. "I'm so proud my hometowo came out in force," the

said. "It's what I've been waiting for."

Pro sports aren't new. Big-time games in packed arenas aren't new. But there was something so innocent about this night, no liked, a year after the WNBA began com- matter how corny it sounds.

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After Thrashings, 3 British Teams Blame the Referees

Three touring British Isles teams lost by a combined 130-32 in rugby union internationals and afterward, all three teams hlamed the referees.

After England lost Saturday, 64-22, to New Zealand in Dunedin, Clive Woodward, England's coach, complained that John Hart, the New Zealand coach had

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY

'barangued' the referee, Wayne Erickson of Australia, at halfime. By that time England was behind, 26-8, and had lost Danny Grewcock, expelled for stamping on Anton Oliver, the All Black hooker. Scotland lost, 33-11, to Australia in

Brisbane but after the match Roh Wainwright, Scotland's captain, complained that Rod Macqueen, Australia's coach,

had influenced the refereeing by suggesting before the game that Scotland was expert at subtle infringements.

Tom Beim scored tries for England. Tim

Stimpson converted two of them.

Woodward returned to England on first test, Wood had punched Teichmann.

Ireland lost, 33-0, to South Africa in Johannesburg. After the game Ireland's team manager, Donal Lenihan, said the referee, Joel Dume of France, should have ejected at least one South African for violent play.

New Zealand 64, England 22 Grewcock, the England lock forward, was suspended Sunday for five weeks by an independent disciplinary committee. He replied for Scotland. will miss the two remaining tests of England's so far disastrous tour.

New Zealand broke the game open with three tries in the seven minutes after Grewcock was expelled. They finished with nine tries. Andrew Mehrtens kicked 19 points.

Sunday after the death of his father, team

officials said. Australia 33, Scotland 11 in Brisbanc. Australia ran in four tries to ooe to snuff beforehand that he would be singled out out a determined Scottish team in the

Ben Tune, Stephen Larkham, Willie Ofahengaue and Nathan Grey scored Rossouw scored tries for South Africa. tries for the Wallabies. Duncan Hodge

referee, Brian Campsall, an Englishman. Wainwright twice spoke to Campsall about what he thought was unfair treatment against his team.

South Africa 33, Ireland 0 In Johan-Richard Cockerill, Matt Dawson, and cidents involving the team captains, Gary France.

On Saturday, Wood paid the price.

"He's battered, bloodied and bruised," said Lenihan. "There were suggestions for specific treatment.

Teichmann, Joost van der Westhuizen, Johan Erasmus, James Dalton and Pieter France scored five tries and two penalties to beat Argentina, 37-12, in the Wainwright was not happy with the second of two test matches Saturday in Buenos Aires.

Argentina scored a drop goal and had three penalties in the match. Cedric Soulette scored two tries, and Christophe Dominici, Xavier Garmajosa and neshurg, the match was marred by in- Oliviert Brouzet got one each for



Raphael Ibanez of France, right, breaking (Reuters. AP. AFP) away in a test match against Argenting



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End of World Cup Arrives Early for 2 Coaches Whose Teams Faltered

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tism. Cha contributed to that unexpec-tedly timid display in Marseille when

the Dutch Orange swarmed on Korea's

Should Cha have gambled? Should he have gone straight for the future hy entrusting Ko Jong Soo, his 19-year-old prospect, with the midfield playmaker

Gamblers sometimes win. In their

first game, the Koreans, playing with 10 men, led Mexico by 1-0 at halftime but then Manuel Lapuente, the Mexican

coach who began this tournament ad-

mitting, "I'm the one with his neck oo

the chopping block." made three substitutions. His team responded with three goals, inspired by his two ebullient, sharp and cheeky forwards, Luis Hernandez and Cuauhtemoc Blanco.

They not only beat the Koreans, but

their spirit soared as Mexico came from

It is doubtless now that the Mexican

administration will see its own gamble

- removing Bora Milutinovic and re-

two goals down to earn another point

against Belgium.

goal and scored, it seemed, at will.

their difficult group..

"I don't know if I should be happy or sad," said Georges Leekens, Belgium's coach. "But when you have a 2-0 lead and a man advantage and a plantage and a plantag

The Belgians gained their man advantage in the 29th minute, after Pavel Pardo was given a red card for planting his studs on the ankle of the Belgian defender Vital Borkelmans. In less evangelical times, the tackle might have carned Pardo only a yellow card, but in the current climate,

Marc Wilmots past Jorge Campos.

It was hardly the most aesthetic goal of this tournament, but then Wilmots, a solidly built 29-year-old, is known for his efficiency and his power. Three minutes into the second half, he took control of the ball ontside the Mexican penalty area and essentially bowled over the luckless Suarez, shoving him out of the way with his left forearm and scoring his second goal with a jab of

defense with more consistency. When Jesus Ramirez drove into the penalty box and was brought down from behind by the Belgian midfielder Gert Verheyen, Dallas im-

mediately awarded the Mexicans a penalty kick. But the Mexican players wanted 55th minute; they wanted a chance to play the rest of this match on even terms. Before Dallas had a chance to reach into his pocket, five players had formed an angry wall in front of

Mexican wish.

"Everyone complains about refevery bit as difficult as it was.

or their wiscom. Not that Militanovic is crying in his beer. He picked up the spare coaching job at Nigeria in his fourth World Cup with a fourth different nation. He wisely negotiated his fee upfront from the military paymasters, and so when General Sani Abachi, in one of his last sentences, warned that Milntinovic could be sacked before reaching France, the nomadic Serhian coach shrugged it off. His team appeared in disarray before the tournament, succumbing, 5-1, to the

Dutch in a friendly. But one American photographer, wishing Milutinovic better fortune before Nigeria's opening match against Spain, reports this response:
"Listen, my friend," said Bora, "the fisherman uses his bait to catch the big fish. The hook in now in the mouth of

placing him with Lapuente - as proof

of their wisdom. Not that Milntinovic is

An hour and a half later, the bait swallowed, Milutinovic walked just a little taller. And when his new Nigerian charges had disposed not only of Spain but of Bulgaria, the coach who not only

went fishing but banked his prize in advance was safely in round two.

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But if gambling is your passion, consider the moves made by Guus Hiddink, the quiet coach of the Netherlands. After his squad split into factions, young and old at Euro 96, he hired a three-man council — Johan Neeskens, Ronald Koeman and Frank Rijkaard — to work between him and the players he wished

Hiddink made controversial selections, picking Patrick Kluivert, whose fine potential is betrayed by a wildness of temperament and a foolish belief that be had arrived simply by being a mil-lionaire prodigy, and Edgar Davids, whose volatile walkout in 1996 had been like a hand grenade to an already inflamed Dutch dressing room.

Kluivert, called a rapist by the taunt-ing Belgian Lorenzo Staelens, clbowed his opponent gently but unwisely in the chest and was expelled. Hiddink did not like the balance in the Dutch's opening scoreless draw with Belgium. He made wholesale changes, asking four of his players to perform roles out of their normal realm and bringing in three different players.

Result? One-two-three-four-live goals for the Netherlands against South Result? Korea. Hiddink is a genius; Cha Bum Kun is a former coach.

The Dutch camp followers could not see the logic of replacing Clarence Seedorf with Davids. They struggled to believe that Philip Cocu, who had been a pivotal midfield springboard for the team, could convert to play center forward role alongside Dennis Bergkamp.

Cocu was as doubting as the next man. But he's a good athlete, a versatile player. Cocu, with a sublime left-foot shot, opened the scoring. Ronald De Boer, the epitome of versatility playing on the right flank, scored the last goal. Hiddink, living on the edge of results

no less than the other 31 coaches here. has used 17 of his 22-man squad in two games. He has attuned them to the pace of a World Cup — no longer a contest with 11-man teams but a conundrum of how. when and why to use your resources. Hiddink's spin of the wheel is in profit. For his last opponent, it was

Russian roulette.

Rob Hughes is Senior Correspondent

2002 Cup Hosts Go **Out of Competition**

YON - Faustino Asprilla is not

as lonely a man this week as he

The Colombian player was the first

man to be sacked and sent home from

this World Cup. Now two coaches, Car-

los Alberto Parreira and Cha Bum Kun,

have been removed even before the first round is complete.

For Parreira, the fate is particularly poignant. At the last World Cup, he was

the last man standing, the victorious

coach for his own country, Brazil. Four

years later, and of his own volition seeking a more sheltered position than

the hysterical demands on a Brazilian

coach, he had opted for the kingdom of

Saudi Arabia. It pays well, but fires

from the lip.

The Saudi players are not of world class. They lost, narrowly, to Denmark and then surrendered, 4-0, to France. So

in the morning, the sheikhs told the champion of world trainers, take your

. It is scapegoat time, easier to dismiss

a foreign mercenary than to admit that

Twenty-four hours later, South Ko-

Saudi players are out of their depth.

was last.

bag of gold and go.

World Cup can start planning already, because they have both been eliminated from the 1998 competition.

Japan lost, 1-0, to Croatia inated when Argentina beat

SATURDAY'S MATCHES

Jamaica, 5-0, on Sunday, Japan plays Jamaica in its final match Friday in Lyon. South Korea was eliminated when it was thrashed, 5-0, by the Dutch in Marseille on Saturday. It plays Belgium

the Korean coach, was fired. This is South Korea's fifth appearance in the World Cup finals, but it has yet to win a

in its final game on Thursday.

On Sunday, Cha Bum Kun,

The Japanese, in their first appearance in the finals, have

2002 and 2006. It is definitely not an end," the coach, Takeshi Okada, said.

"Japan lost in Nantes as Dafor Croatia on a pass by Aljosa
Asanovic in the 77th minute.

Group E. and needs only a draw with Mexico to qualify "We've indeed proven to for the next round. the world that we can put up

kayama. scored the match. time," said Nakayama, one of Japan's two strikers who scoring but we played well," bave now failed to score in six said Bergkamp. "In the end consecutive matches.

Masami Ihara said, "Suker is ference." (AFP, Reuters, AP)

a good striker. It was awe-The co-bosts of the 2002 some to see him dashing to-

rea, outfoxed by Mexico and taken apart

by the Netherlands, made a similar re-flex response: out goes coach Cha. His brief had been to put one victory on the board, the first at a World Cup finals for

the nation he has served as a player and

now, briefly, as trainer.

The Koreans had lost face at the last global stage before they co-host the 2002 World Cup. Japan, their partner in

that venture taking the game to the last

continent where its development lags, is

on the brink of being eliminated, and

undoubtedly the Japanese coach, Take-

shi Okada, fears that his lease on the joh

Small wonder the players get the

wrong vibes. If their mentors live with

such uncertainty, if tension fills the men

charged with instilling tearnwork and enthusiasm and hope toward the future, what chance is there of players per-

Cha Bum Kun might reflect on his

brief stay in the last-chance saloon. His

team did not just lose to the Dutch, it

surrendered without the defiant spirit on

which South Korea is forged as a nation

and, once, as a tiger economy of the

East. And perhaps, through conserva-

forming without fear?

ward me." In Marseille, the slick and speedy South Koreans caused a few problems for the Dutch in the first half, but the Nethon Saturday and was elim- erlands maintained control and finally took the lead in the 38th minute when Phillip Cocu scored.

Cocu was only promoted to the striker's role after Patrick Kluivert was suspended for two matches for elbowing Lorenzo Staelens during the Dutch team's 0-0 draw with

Belgium. "It was the first time in two and a half years that I played this position," said Cocu. "It was a big change but we have so much talent on our team, l was just happy to be playing

all the time. "At first I underestimated what I had to do," said Cocu. "With Bergkamp not at the top of his physical level, I had scored a goal.

For Japanese football, the World Cup does not end with this result. It will go on for more chances we had.

Mark Overmars added a second goal before half time. Dennis Bergkamp, Pierre van "For me, personally, the Hooijdonk and Ronald de Bo-Regoal is to win our next group er added three more in the match against Jamaica and final 18 minutes to restore the

With the victory, the Nethvor Suker scored the only goal erlands moved to the top of

"Our strength is that we resistance and make up for have 22 very good players, all bur physical limitations with collective strength," said the Idpanese striker Masashi Nabrother to Ronald, who scored the fifth and final goal

"At first we had difficulty the South Koreans went down Japan captain and sweeper mentally and that was the dif-



we will put all we have into it, 'he added.

Dutch team's chances of South Korea's Lee Min Sung, left, keeping pace with the Dutch striker Dennis Bergkamp, whose team won, 5-0.

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The added team's chances of south Korea's Lee Min Sung, left, keeping pace with the Dutch striker Dennis Bergkamp, whose team won, 5-0.

1-0, to Romania and since then, Faustino Asprilla has been thrown off the team.

in midfield against England, so he knows its enemy. Dan Petrescu plays

his place after a lackluster showing Colombia will probably play Anagainst England, and Imed Ben Younes thony De Avila, with Adolfo Valencia will join Adel Sellimi in attack.

International Herald Tribune Victor Aristizabal. Henry Kasperczak, Toulouse In one area at least, Romania the coach, said Tunisia had been weak will have an edge against England: It brings in Zoubele Baya, who plays in for Chelsea and Viorel Moldovan for

Colombia and Tunisia Need a Victory

P.M. Two teams that lost their opening games meet, both needing a victory.

Tunisia fell, 2-0, to England in its opening Group G game. Colombia lost,

taking the other striking role ahead of

Romania vs. England, 9:00 P.M.,

Germany with Freihurg.

The striker Mehdi Ben Slimane,
Baya's Freiburg teammate, will lose in the English Premier League.

"Dan in particular knows the English game inside out and his information is invaluable," said Adrian Ilie, who scored his team's goal against Colombia.

For Belgium and Mexico, a Torrid Battle Ends in a Draw

By Christopher Clarey
New York Times Service

BORDEAUX, France — The temperature on the field was a sweltering 102 degrees, which meant that the Mexican fans underneath their licensed sombreros had a big advantage over the Belgian fans brandishing inflatable red tridents. But after the last brow had been mopped and the last water bottle trained on Saturday night, neither of their teams would have an advaninge in the Parc Lescure. This World Cup Group E match was one that neither Belgium nor Mexico could

the case in France this June, neither eam lost.

But it took a compelling 90 it was difficult to find fault with the judgment of the Scottish referee,

afford to lose, and, as has often been

advantage, you should find a way to finish off the match."

the point that kept them on top of kick from their Brazilian-born their difficult group.. striker, Luis Oliveira. The ball brushed the head of the defender Claudio Suarez and deflected off

Perhaps it was the heat, perhaps it

minutes to arrive at the 2-2 final score. The Mexicans had to rally from a two-goal deficit to salvage their time to capitalize, but in the first minute they scored off a corner they began to penetrate the Belgian to gave to the Mexicans was right,

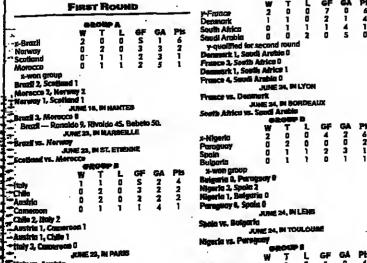
him, screaming for a red card. Dal-las took his time, but he granted the keeper, Filip de Wilde, with a left-

and I think the penalty kick against

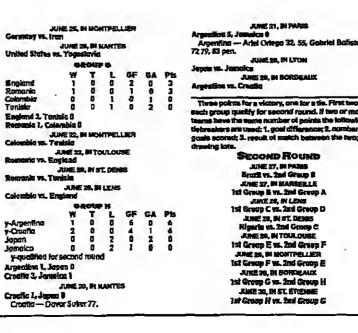
When Mexico's captain, Alberto

Garcia Aspe, put that penalty kick into the lower right corner of the Belgian goal, neither he nor his teammates were feeling the heat, and on their next serious chance, in the more than a chance to score in the 63d minute, they would score the equalizer. This goal had nothing in common with Wilmots' angainly efforts. It came off a wonderfully timed left-footed cross from Ramirez that the striker Cuauhtemoc footed volley in mid-air that looked

World Cup Results and Group Standings



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Three points for a victory, one for a tie. First two is

Saudis Fire Parreira **Before Final Game**

The Associated Press MELUN-SENART,

France — Carlos Alberto Parreira, who guided Brazil to its record fourth World Cup triumph four years ago, has been fired as coach of Saudi Arabia even though the team

still has one match to play. Parreira was fired by the "very demanding Saudis" on Saturday and said he had been early exit from the tourna-

"Obviously, they were and I guess in this case the coach will get it." Parreira said a few minutes before he his dismissal.

meeting for an hour with Saudi sports officials, Par-reira said: "The Saudis were Adding that he "did expecting a better result. As it just for money," Parreira of now, we are no longer with

the Saudi team. Saudi Arabia lost its first time for the coach and players two matches, 1-0 to Denmark to get used to each other.

and 4-0 to France, to become the first of the 32 nations to be eliminated. The team has one more game, on Wednesday against South Africa, and Mohammed al Khuraishi, a Saudi coach, will direct the team at that match. Parreira was the eighth

coach to be fired by the Saudis in less than four years. He signed a one-year contract with a scapegoat in Saudi Arabia's the Saudi federation in December for a reported \$3 million. The decision to fire him

was made by the Saudi soccer looking for someone to blame federation, which met in Paris late Friday. "I don't feel happy and I don't feel comfortable with

left his hotel to be informed of the decision taken by the Saudi officials," Parreira Later, looking weary after said. "At least they should have let us continue until the Adding that he "did not do

said that Saudi officials

"should at least give more

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Iranians Send Americans Home

Late Rally Can't Save U.S. Team From Defeat and Elimination

Compiled by Our Staff From Dusparctures LYON -- Iran won its

States, 2-1, on Suoday after a frantic final 15 minutes. The result means the

IRAN 2, U.S. 1

third, with three points, one behind Yugoslavia and Germany. To take one of the top two places in the group, Iran must beat Germany in its final match or draw and hope the Yugoslavia hy two goals.

fran's victory was the first by an Asian team at the finals. Asian sides had lost all seven McBride's diving header of their previous matches in crept between two defenders

The match, played oo FIFA's Fair Play Day, started with the players posing together, arms round each others shoulders, for a joint team shoulders have a joint team.

They also exchanged gifts, the Iranians giving their op-ponents flowers and the Americans presenting their rivals with pennants.

However, scuffles broke chances. Tehran government were re-

looping header after the Americans had created the best chances of the first half. The United States hit the post twice in the first half and controlled most of the posses-

down the right side and lofted swayed side-by-side to both a cross to an unmarked Estili. American and Arabic music. who lofted a header across the

Americans regained cootrol.

The U.S. coach, Steve Sampsoo, removed Tab based Iranian opposition Ramos and Roy Wegerle and group Mujahidin Khalq. put in Preki Radosavljevic and Ernie Stewart.

The move seemed to energize the Americans, and unveiled after they left. both captain Thomas Dooley and Claudio Reyna narrowly missed a goal. Another

Ahmad Abedzadeh scramhling across his goal as the showdown with the United Americans, playing with increasing urgency, began to lay siege to the Iranian goal.

The result means the United States, which must still play Yugoslavia, is bottom of Group F with zero points and cannot qualify for the second round. Iran is The United States Joe Max Moore flashed a

swarmed around the Iranian goal and only Abedzadeh's block of Frankie Hejduk's point-blank shot in the 79th

As the desperate Americans pushed forward, Mehdi Mahdavikia broke behind the U.S. defense and beat keeper Kasey Keller from 15 meters.

The United States finally scored in the 88th when Brian and over the goal line. The

ing onto the field and Abedzadeh wrapped himself in the country's flag as he walked across the field.

Until Estili's goal, the United States had the better

Brian McBride sent a headout in the stands during the Brian McBride sent a head-match as opponents of the er from 15 meters off the top of the crossbar after only three moved by police.

Hamid Estili gave Iran the lead in the 40th minute with a left-footed shot from 25 meters in the 33d.

Iran seemed content to counter and their extended offensive possessions rarely produced anything danger-

Iranian flags fluttered in the evening breeze oext to the Javad Zarincheh broke stars-and-stripes and fans

FIFA's announced ban on T-shirts supporting Massoud Rajavi, the head of the Iraqi-

Minor scuffles broke out as security confiscated some of the hanners, hut more were

Earlier Sunday the Mojahidinaccused French au-



Matias Almeyda of Argentina, left, and Darryl Powell of Jamaica tangling Sunday. Argentina triumphed, 5-0.

GERMANS: Fierce Rally Results in a 2-2 Draw With Yugoslavia

Continued from Page 1

less impressive in a 1-0 victory over Iran, but the Yugoslavs, considered one of the most dangerous unseeded teams in this event, were a different team against the Germans.

The Germans, who started the game without the injured midfielder Thomas Hassler, pressed hard in the opening minutes, but they would quickly lose their enthusiasm when Mijatovic, the Real Madrid star, struck a ball with his right foot in the direction of the German goal. His 19-year-old teammate Dejan Stankovic sprinted toward it, one step ahead of Jeremies, Stankovic extended his

leg. The ball brushed past it, bounced off the knee of the disoriented German goal-keeper. Andreas Kopke, and ricocheted off the far post, where it bounced off the

top of Jeremies's chest and into the goal. Though Stankovic appeared to play a passive role in that complicated process, the gifted teenager who already has agreed to terms with Lazio of Rome was

goal into the upper left comer.

The goal stirred the Iranians, enabling them to cootrol the last five minutes of the las half and the first 15 of the inated the crowd in a less or- a close, the German fans, who far outchanting for Matthaus, and when the second half began, the German coach, Berti Vogts. substituted him for Dietmar Hamann.

Matthaus, 37, was not supposed to be part of this German team, but after the star sweeper Matthias Sammer was ooable to recover from a series of injuries and Matthaus turned in a fine season with Bayern Munich, Vogts swallowed his pride and reached out to the outthorities of banning Iranian spoken player be ooce had vowed would from entering never play for him again. Matthaus's goalkeeper France. (AFP, AP, Reuters) appearance oo Sunday made him the

French Policeman in a Coma

forces.

LENS — A French policeman was in a coma on Sunday after being at-tacked by German hooligans ontside a

World Cup stadium.

Daniel Cadoux, chief of police for the oorthern French Pas de Calais regioo, said the attacker was German and had been arrested. Germany was playing Yogoslavia in the Felix Bollaert stadium in Lens on Sunday.

He said they were "sober, organ-

ized, mobile thugs using communications to disperse and regroop rap-

The officer, identified as 44-yearold Daniel Nivel, is married with two children, police said, and from the ocorby town of Arres. A Brazilian televisioo reporter was

also injured and takeo to a hospital after hooligans surrounded him while he was filming the violeoce. Cadoox

first man to play in 22 games in the World Cup finals and it drew him even with the former Mexican goalkeeper

to appear in five World Cup finals. But drawing even with Yugoslavia, not Carbajal, was the more urgent objective. and it did not help Germany's chances when the normally reliable Kopke mis-handled a low, well-struck shot from the striker Darko Kovacevic. The ball slipped through his arms and bounced in front of the charging Yugoslav captain, Dejan Stankovic, who joyfully gave his team a 2-0 lead in the 54th minnte.

Vogts, thoroughly underwhelmed by his players' performance, would substitute

twice more in the next 15 minutes, and in the 74th minute, one of those substitutes, Michael Tarnat, unleashed a long free kick and landed in the goal. The intensity that had been missing from Germany's play since the early going was back, and oo a corner kick in the 80th minute, Bierhoff rose high between two defenders and

said his cooditioo was not serious.

"They didn't come to support their team," Cadoux said. "They came to smash things up, to attack security

As many as 450 skinheads were see on the streets before and after the match giving Nazi salutes. Police used sticks to hattle the Germans, who included known groups of neo-Nazis. Police sources said known Parisian hooligans were also preseot, suggesting an-arranged gathering of far-right elements.

Cadoux said 86 fans — mostly Germans — were detained. Six of the people detained — again, mostly Ger-

Meanwhile, the police in Touloose

(AP, Reuters)

said they had arrested three known

English hooligans, identified by Brit-

ish police spotters. They said the three

mans - were deported.

could be expelled.

headed home the equalizer. Six minotes later, Klinsmann rose high in a German wall and took a Mihajlovic free kick in the solar plexus. He dropped to the ground and stayed there in a semiconscious state as team doctors sprinted to his side. The game would continue, but Klinsmann's role in it had ended.

Batistuta Leads The Slaughter

Hat Trick Makes Him Top Striker

PARIS - Ariel Ortega did Diego Maradona's old jersey

Ortega scored the first two goals as Argentina trounced Jamaica, 5-0, on Sunday. Gabriel Batistuta finished off the slaughter with a hat-

> ARGENTINA 5, JAMAICA O.

trick late in the match to become the top striker in the World Cup with four goals.

Jamaica played half the match with 10 men after Darryl Powell was seot off in the 45th minute.

The victory ensured that Argentina would reach the second round. It also eliminated the Reggae Boyz and Japan, both making their de-buts in the World Cup finals.

Argeotina tops the Group H standings with six points, above Croatia on goal difference. Jamaica is last with no points and a 1-8 goals tally. Japan also has no points from

with a game to play.

"We wanted to win to make sure we would qualify," said Daniel Passarella, the Argentina coach. "And we knew that we had to score several goals so as oot to be at a disadvantage against Croatia." His team will face Croatia on Friday to close firstround play. "But sincerely I didn't think we would score

so many. Taking advantage of a ten-tative and disorganized Ja-maica, which fell apart after Powell was sent off in first-half injury time, Powell clattered into Ortega ocar the sideline to earn his second sideline to earn his second yellow card of the game. His first was also for a foul oo

dominated Argeotina throughout at the muggy Parc des Princes.

Onega was the catalyst. The stocky playmaker, wearing the oumber 10 that Maradona wore during his illustrious career, scored in the 32d and 55th minutes on sim-

Ortega then set op two of Batistuta's goals as the Fiorentina striker connected in the 73d, 79th and 83d

"Ortega played a great game," Passarella said. "He was beaten up hut fortunately not injured. He played a smart most immediately on the game, oot only on the indi- right. Batistuta rose to meet vidual level hut also as a team player.

OPEC to Me "We played evenly until we had that expulsion," Ia-maica coach Rene Simoes In Crisis Moe said. "Wheo you play with 10 men against a team the caliber of Argentina, you are likely to allow a lot of goals. We don't have the proper experi-

The World's Daily Newspaper

As Oil Prices
Keep Droppi Ortega put his team sheat after a maneuver that started just inside Argentina's haif

Juan Veron swapped passes with Diego Simeone and theo released Ortega who had made a perfectly timed run down behind the defense. The Valencia forward chipped the ball over charging keeper Warren Barrett and into an empty

Ortega made it 2-0/10 minutes after halftime when he swapped passes with Clardio Lopez just ootside the Inmaican penalty area, darted through a gap in the defense and prodded the ball past Bar-

Theodore Whitmore sur-prised the South Americans with a low, 25-meter shot that shaved the post. But Argentina struck right back to make

it 3-0 in the 73d. ... Ortega was the provider this time, sliding a pass wide to Batistuta with the outside of his right font, and the veteran powered home a shot from just inside the area.

Six minutes later, Batistuta took a pass from Matias Almeyda and ran through a huge hole in the defense to fire home off Barrett's finger-

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Nigria's Militar

Batistuta's third goal came from the penalty spot, after Christopher Dawes hauled down Ortega as the forward charged into the area.

The goals will help me in my amhition to be the tournament's leading scorer, and that is the reason I came

here," Bailstota said.
"It wasn't easy, but after the first goal they lost con-centration totally, and we

Argentina was impressive from the start, and Batiston could have scored twice inside the first 64 seconds.

First, the Jamaican defense gave him room to shoot and was lucky that the striker slightly mis-hit the effort. Barrett slapped the ball away. Argeotina woo a free kick al-Veron's well-flighted cross and flashed a header wide.



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